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But the new element in his speech was the focus on Europe over the proposed new European Monetary System and the British EEC budget imbalance, which he linked for the first time in public.

He also added urgency to his appeal for the European common agricultural policy to be reformed, while emphasizing that "Britain does not seek to amend the true objectives of the policy". He proposed three changes in the c.a.p.: A more liberal EEC view towards agricultural imports; better use of export subsidies; and the reconsideration of the annual price support increases and the ending of such increases for products already produced in too great a quantity.

On the EMS Mr Callaghan seemed to hint again that Britain would find it difficult to join the scheme from the start. "If one or more Community countries decided not to take part at present, then those who stay out should not impede its establishment. . . ."

Likewise, the scheme "should not be drawn up in such a way as would prevent or impede the creation of an even wider monetary zone of greater flexibility, perhaps embracing the dollar and other currencies", Mr Callaghan said.

However, if the EMS were to prove durable, the "present lack of equity" in the EEC budget had to be removed. It was not simply Britain's problem, Mr Callaghan said. Nobody was arguing that each member must benefit equally from each EEC policy, but "the outcome of the Community policies, taken as a whole, should reflect a balance which corresponds to the Community's long-term objectives . . . that is not the case at present".

Mr Callaghan complained that a shift away from EEC expenditure on agriculture towards industrial development, which he suggested Britain had been promised before entry, had not been made.

Too little, relatively, was being spent on regional problems, "such as the regeneration and restructuring of the older industrial areas and on training and other programmes", he said.

He had no doubt that the EEC would continue to progress. But the original objective of its founders "to strengthen the economies of the Community members and by reducing regional differences to ensure their harmonious development", had to be revived.

Jobs for young appeal

By Annabel Ferriman

An appeal to industry to give expert help to organizations running work-experience and *job-preparation schemes for* unemployed young people was made last night by Sir Kenneth Cork, the new Lord Mayor of London.

Speaking at the Lord Mayor's dinner at Mansion House, Sir Kenneth said that everyone was appalled by the statistics. At youth unemployment rose many companies were sponsoring people on work-experience schemes. But he was appealing for a new type of support.

"The 'practical action' project has been introduced to assist industry to lend its expertise and support to schemes and projects, including those sponsored under the Manpower Services Commission's youth *opportunities programme*, to provide useful work experience and preparation for employment for thousands of unemployed school-leavers and other young people who might otherwise remain without work in the months ahead."

Any company wishing to contribute to the project, which is administered by the National Association of Youth Clubs and financed by the commission, should write to: The Lord Mayor of London, "Practical Action", Mansion House, London, EC2.

Mr Sadat recalls peace talks minister

Cairo, Nov 13.—President Sadat has summoned Mr Botros Ghali, his acting Foreign Minister and second-ranking member of the Egyptian delegation to the Washington peace talks with Israel, back to Cairo for consultations, it was announced here tonight.

Officials said that Mr Ghali, who has been recalled for the second time in a week, would report to Mr Sadat on the progress of the talks. The other members of the delegation will stay in Washington but "new measures" will be announced tomorrow.

These measures, the officials said, were currently the subject of contacts between Egypt and the American Government, and President Sadat will study the situation after tomorrow's Israeli Cabinet meeting.—Agence France-Presse.

Patrick Brogan writes from Washington: The Egyptian delegation has assured the Americans that no decision has been taken to suspend the talks, according to the official American spokesman.

He said that Mr Hermann Eilts, the American Ambassador to Egypt, had also been asked about a report that the talks would be suspended and had said that no decision to do so had been taken by the Egyptian Government.

President Carter offered a compromise proposal to the two sides yesterday, and spoke over the telephone with Mr Sadat and Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister. Both sides are now considering it.

The American spokesman said that the United States proposal, which deals with the relationship between the two parts of the Camp David accords, had been put forward after intensive consultation with both Egypt and Israel. Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State, had a two-hour meeting with Mr Begin at Kennedy airport, New York, last night.

Mr Begin was stopping there on his way home from Canada. Neither man said very much afterwards, and gave reporters no clue to the possible acceptability of the American suggestion.

According to this morning's *Washington Post*, the American proposal is a short, one-page *letter which would be exchanged* between the Israelis and Egyptians at the same time that they sign the peace treaty. Michael Knipe writes from Jerusalem: Impressions of a breakdown or deadlock in the negotiations were also dismissed by Mr Begin when he returned to Israel today. He did not dispute a suggestion that Egypt's position had hardened, and said its delegation was making demands which were inconsistent with the agreements reached at Camp David.



The Prince of Wales, who is 30 today, at Balmoral with Harvey, a Labrador, during a recent visit.

Scots win John Brown's kilt struggle

From Ronald Faux
Edinburgh

Collectors determined to secure John Brown's tartan kilt and matching knickers for the nation gathered at an auction in Hopetoun House, near Edinburgh, last night fully expecting an onslaught by the massed cheque books of overseas buyers.

Among those alleged to be interested in the sale of John Brown's garments were Mrs Paddy Rabbet, of Southampton, a specialist collector of Victorian underwear, an American heiress with a strong fancy for saucy objects of art of the Victorian period. Even possibly General Idi Amin, whose addiction to tartan is well known.

Even deeper in the shadows was thought to be the representative of a Las Vegas nightclub owner whose entrepreneurial instinct had convinced him that the faithful retainer's kilt swirling around the hips of a topless go-go dancer would pay for itself in one night.

In the event the garments were sold for £1,600 to the Museum of Scottish Tartans, at Comrie. Dr Micheil MacDonald, the curator, said they had been determined to secure them because the museum was the most appropriate place for them. They had opened a section on "Balmorality" and the tartan explosion Queen Victoria inspired.

Those were the days, Dr MacDonald said, of the Piccadilly lairds, when a man seeking to emulate royalty would wear full Highland dress with floor-sweeping sporan even at his London club.

"These are very important items because they mark that age when people became fanatical about Highland dress. The matching knickers are a reminder of the prissy Victorian period. Few pairs have survived."

Dr MacDonald said the museum had the support of all other Scottish museums, the Secretary of State's fund for local museum purchases and an anonymous individual who had agreed to give them £1,000.

The royal Stewart tartan kilt presented by *Queen Victoria to* her manservant together with matching knickers, black waistcoat, silver braided jacket and black Glengarry were put up for auction by Mr Hugh Macpherson, an Edinburgh bagpipe and kilt maker. Their provenance is impeccable. Mr Macpherson bought the garments in 1958, since when the kilt has hung in his shop, a mute reminder of the powerful, solemn figure who once wore it.

The kilt and jacket were on display yesterday and are in fine condition. The matching knickers were another story. "They are huge and rather horrid and we have locked them up with the silver", a woman from Sotheby's said. A man was summoned, the silver cabinet unlocked and John Brown's voluminous knickers unfurled.

To a lay eye there was nothing about them to set the hand racing for a cheque book: merely a pair of aged underbreeches with a backflap that looked as stout as a drawbridge, peppered with holes marking the passage of a generation of moths.

22-hour rescue to free girl in cave

Rescue workers yesterday won a 22-hour battle to free a badly injured girl potholer from a deep cave in North Yorkshire. For part of the time they struggled against flood water swelled by heavy rain, which rose steadily throughout the day and threatened to engulf the cave where she lay injured.

The ordeal began for Miss Thirza Holden, aged 20, on Sunday evening as, with three companions, she explored the complex pothole system at Birks Fell, near Buckden, in Wharfedale.

As they scrambled to escape flood water, a boulder was dislodged and fell on the girl, who suffered a broken arm, broken pelvis and head injuries.

Miss Holden, who lives at Mary Morrison Drive, Mauchline, Ayre, was accompanied by Aileen McConnell, aged 30, of Davidson Place, Ayr; Mr James Stephenson, aged 26, of Queens Place, Kilwinning, Ayr; and Mr David Hyde, aged 24, of Dudley Crescent, Illingworth, Halifax.

Mr Stephenson said the potholers spent the night in the cramped cave, 18 inches high in places, with their injured friend.

After freeing Miss Holden from under the boulder that had fallen on her at 6 pm on Sunday they prepared to spend the night in the dank cave.

"We all cuddle around her to keep her warm", he said. "We managed to snatch a few minutes' sleep from time to time. We were there until about 7 o'clock this morning, when the rescuers reached us."

Rescue workers and doctors began the operation knowing they were racing against the constantly rising flood water.

Workers on the surface dammed two hillside streams to stop the water level in the cave from rising too quickly and firemen pumped water away from the mouth of the cave system and partly sandbagged it.

Finally, at 3.45 pm, Miss Holden was brought to the surface and carried through the rain to an RAF helicopter which took her to Airedale general hospital, near Keighley.

Dr John Frankland, one of three doctors involved in the rescue, said: "Thirza coped very well. She was a very determined and brave person."

In places the passage is only a foot wide and three times the girl had to be taken off the stretcher and hauled along.

Mr Harry Long, the rescue leader, said the party was experienced and well equipped for the expedition.

He also praised Miss Holden: "She was very courageous all the way through. If you get someone who retains the will to live in these conditions, the chances are they will get through."

Although the rescuers' task was hampered by the heavy rain, they were well aware of how to attempt the rescue, as they staged a practice in the cave complex only four weeks ago.

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UN call to cancel Namibia poll

New York, Nov 13.—The United Nations Security Council today called for the immediate cancellation of elections planned for Namibia (South-West Africa) next month.

The 15-nation body also warned South Africa, which rules the territory, that failure to agree to elections supervised by the United Nations would compel the council to initiate "appropriate actions under the charter", including economic sanctions. An arms embargo is already in effect against South Africa.

The resolution was adopted by 10 to none, with five abstentions, the United States, France, Britain, West Germany and Canada.

Dr Kurt Waldheim, the secretary-General, was given until November 25 to report back on the implementation of the resolution.—Reuter.

Pretoria scandal affects Namibia poll, page 6



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non Jenkins, regarded f the brightest young is in Fleet Street when ppointed editor of the *Standard* nearly two o resigned yesterday. s requested to do so by or Matthews, chairman ess Newspapers, after differences of opinion at Mr Matthews des- as "little irritating

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ior staff suspect that be- he resignation lies falling ation, and that the paper ek a wider, more popular L.

Jenkins, who is 35, made s with his "Living in Lon- column in the *Standard*. 74 he joined *The Sunday* to edit "Insight" for a over a year.

EEC spends £16m disposing of surplus fruit and vegetables to hold prices

From Michael Hornsby
Brussels, Nov 13

The disposal, and in some cases destruction, of 201,000 tonnes of surplus fruit and vegetables was subsidized by the EEC taxpayer last year at a cost of about £16m. This is disclosed in a written reply by the European Commission to a question from a member of the European Parliament.

Under EEC arrangements designed to prevent market prices falling below an agreed level, Community intervention agencies bought up the surplus produce. Some of it was distributed free of charge to charities or used in animal feed. But a considerable *amount was simply destroyed.*

The products taken off the market in this way were: 30,000 tonnes of cauliflowers, 23,000 tonnes of tomatoes, 60,000 tonnes of peaches, 41,000 tonnes of pears, 2,600 tonnes of apples, 16,000 hes of oranges and 28,000 tonnes of mandarins.

Expenditure on the fruit and vegetable sector is, in fact, only a tiny part of total spending on the common agricultural policy, which accounts for more than two-thirds of the entire EEC budget.

Last year, for example, the subsidized disposal of fodd surpluses created by the high support prices guaranteed to EEC farmers is estimated to have cost £1,860m.

These surpluses either have to be expensively stored, which is not possible with highly perishable goods like fruit, or exported outside the Community with the aid of subsidies, much to the annoyance of the EEC's trade competitors.

The cost of the common agricultural policy has become increasingly controversial because of British complaints that farm spending, from which Britain derives little benefit, distorts the overall impact of the budget.

One effect is that Britain, though one of the less prosperous countries in the EEC, is the second largest net contributor to the EEC budget revenue, and on some calculations could become the biggest contributor in two years' time, overtaking West Germany.

Alitalia strike

Rome, Nov 13.—All scheduled flights of Italy's national airline, Alitalia, have been halted until tomorrow by a 24-hour strike of flight crews over a new employment contract.

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You'll enjoy making friends with the family of fine sherries from Gonzalez Byass. Tio Pepe, fino-finest of all dry sherries. La Concha, amontillado-the medium sherry for all tastes. San Domingo, pale cream-delicate with a refreshing hidden sweetness.

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Union at Acas for bread strike talks

Talks aimed at ending the bread strike started between the executive of the Bakers', Food and Allied Workers' Union and the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service. Representatives of the employers are expected at Acas today. The Commons was told that bread supplies are estimated at between 65 and 70 per cent. Page 2

Ford peace move

Ford management is to meet the unions for fresh talks aimed at settling the strike by 57,000 workers, now in its eighth week. The unions still want an increase in the offer of 9.75 per cent on basic rates, but have not set any preconditions Page 2

Economy slowing

Latest output and retail sales statistics indicate that Britain's economy is beginning to slow down from its rapid growth earlier in the year. The Ford strike is thought to be responsible for more than half of a 1 per cent drop in September industrial output Page 19

NatWest rate up

Two more clearing banks are expected to follow National Westminster Bank's lead in raising its base lending rate from 11½ to 12¼ per cent. The effect of NatWest's action will be to raise overdraft rates for most personal borrowers to between 15½ and 17½ per cent Page 19

Soldier cleared of Briton's murder

Warrant Officer Ompadile Tswaipe of the Botswana Army has been cleared of the triple murder of Mr Nicholas Love, a Briton, and two South Africans, who were allegedly shot while trying to escape. The judge, from Ghana, said the main prosecution witness had made contradictory statements Page 6

Nazi past recalled

Embarrassment has been created in Bonn by disclosures that President Walter Scheel, a Free Democrat, and Herr Karl Carstens, the Christian Democratic President of the Bundestag, had been Nazi party members. Neither has ever tried to conceal the fact. Page 6

Amin war command

President Amin is now commanding troops in the Tanzania border area after a Tanzanian announcement that an offensive had been launched across the Kagera river to regain its occupied territory. Page 7

Milan doctor shot

A new Italian terrorist group, the Communist Attack Divisions, shot a retired *prison health director in a Milan street* and walked calmly away. The incident, which was a leg shooting, was the latest in a series of about 50 Page 6



Habeas corpus plea: Richard Tarling, former chairman of Haw Par Brothers International, who is seeking in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court a writ of habeas corpus to prevent is extradition to Singapore on company law charges Page 3

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Mr Tommy Docherty says he was libelled

Mr Tommy Docherty was "written off" as a football manager by Willie Morgan, a former Manchester United player, in a television programme, counsel alleged in the High Court. The jury was told that Mr Morgan's malice towards Mr Docherty "festered" Page 3

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Ford agrees to talks tomorrow after union leader asks for meeting without preconditions

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

The Ford management will meet the trade union side tomorrow for fresh talks aimed at settling the strike by the company's 57,000 manual workers, now in its eighth week.

The talks, the first since mass meetings 10 days ago rejected a company offer worth more than 16.5 per cent, were arranged yesterday after an approach by telephone from Mr Ronald Todd, chairman of the union negotiators, to Mr Paul Roots, the company's labour relations director.

The company maintained that the offer was made up of 9.75 per cent on base rates, 5.1 per cent in "attendance" allowance and more than 1.5 per cent in increased holiday pay. But Mr Roots has twice made clear that the management was prepared to make modifications in detail to the attendance plan.

The union side has insisted that there should be a further increase to the basic rate and that it was rejecting penalty clauses attached to the attendance plan, aimed at curbing absenteeism and unofficial disputes.

Once talks had been arraggned yesterday, however, neither side went out of its way to set any preconditions. Mr Todd noted that Mr Roots's letter to employees last week mentioned possible talks on conditions covering lateness and absenteeism in the attendance plan, but said: "We do not want to talk about anything in isolation."

He added: "People can keep saying there is an impasse, but sooner or later we have to get round the table." Mr Todd said someone had had to make a move to continue negotiations and end the deadlock.

Union negotiators are clearly hopeing that the management will reshape its offer in a way that would put more money on basic rates, though tehe was No evidence last night that the management had chaand its attitude.

Meanwhile a meeting of about seventy Ford workers at Southampton passed a resolution asking that all "major decisions to be made by Ford Employees willb e made by paper ballot and counted by independent scrutineers".

Peace move by union over BL clash

By Clifford Webb

The leadership of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers has adopted the role of peacemaker in the 11-day strike that has crippled BL (British Leyland) car production and made 26,000 workers idle. It has persuaded shop stewards representing the unions involved to meet management at the AUEW headquarters in Birmingham today.

It is the second time the union's leadership has tried to end the unofficial strike by 3,500 employees at the group's Drews Lane transmission plant in Birmingham.

Last week the Birmingham East district committee ordered its members, most of the striker, to return to work for negotiations to continue on the company's 16 per cent pay offer. Since then it has become apparent that an increasing number of Drews Lane workers fell that their shop stewards reacted too hastily in calling a strike within 24 hours of the company making its offer.

The strikers have also been impressed by the repeated statements by Mr Michael Edwards, Leyland's chairman, and other senior executives, that the offer will not be increased however long the strike lasts.

If today's talks are successful they will avert another wrangle between the union's national executive and BL car workers on unofficial strike. The executive holds its weekly meeting today and is expected to reinforce the local committee's back-to-work instruction by threatening disciplinary action. Two months ago it threatened to expel 33 toolmakers on unofficial strike but later withdrew the threat. BL has given details of the terms it is offering to secure 7,000 voluntary redundancies by the end of the year. The state redundancy scheme is being increased by an average of a quarter in the form of an ex-gratia payment. The terms average about £2,000 for production workers and up to £4,500 for a long-serving craftsmen.

Plant closure: Leyland Vehicles is to close its plant at Southall, London, leaving 2,150 men out work (the Press Association reports)

The decision was taken because the plant could not be madt commercially viable. Leyland said yesterday.

Engine production will be moved to Leyland, Lancashire, and assembly of the Marathon truck range will be taken over by the Scammell factory at Watford.

Mr Roger Butler, district secretary of the AUEW said: "We are calling for government intervention. It is not just jobs at the plant that are at stake; it is many thousands who live off thte factory in solhps, transport and subcontractors." A mass meeting was planned for Friday.

Bread strike talks start at Acas

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

Peace moves in the bread strike got under way yesterday when the executive of the Bakers, Food and Allied Workers' Union met Mr James Mortimer, chairman of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service. Employers' representatives are expected to go to Acas today.

In a Commons written reply Mr Harold Walker, Minister of State at the Department of Employment, said that bread supplies were between 65 and 70 per cent, though availability varied.

The likelihood is that talks between all three parties will be convened tomorrow. The union has rejected an 11 per cent pay and productivity offer and is seeking increases that the employers say would amount to 26 per cent.

Mr Royston Maddox, son of Mr Samuel Maddox, the union's general secretary, and a member of the union, was arrested yesterday on a picket line outside an Ipswich bakery. He was the only picket arrested as sixty demonstrators jostled with police in an attempt to prevent a convoy of bread vans leaving.

Employers estimated yesterday that more than 2,500 of the 26,000 bakery workers called out on strike had returned to work. The union has recalled its policy-making conference for Saturday and will consider undisclosed proposals on what to do about those who have ignored the strike call.

The conference may also consider the handling of the strike.

The employers formally withdrew their offer after pointing out that the union executive had called a strike although the annual agreement had until the end of the month to run. The employers say the offer was not necessarily a final one but that they were open to negotiation.



Rescuers carrying Miss Thirza Holden, the injured potholer, out of Birks Fell cave, in Wharfedale, yesterday.

Reprimand for naval officer over collision

A senior naval airman was ordered at a court martial at Devonport yesterday to be severely reprimanded for handing over his helicopter controls to a junior officer, who was in collision with a warship with Princess Alexandra on board.

Lieutenant-Commander David Hobbs, aged 33, had indulged in an impromptu piece of low flying to impress the crowd at a FamilhAes Day flypast at Portsmouth in July, the court was told. His mistake came when he handed over the controls of his Wessex to helicopter Lieutenant Ian McKenzie. Lieutenant-Commander John Armstrong, for the defence, said.

Lieutenant McKenzie, aged 27, who was found guilty three weeks ago of negligence and dismissed his sip, struck the guided missile destroyer Devonshire and then brought the helicopter down in the Solent. Metal fragments were scattered over the deck but no one was hurt.

Commander Hobbs admitted four charges, including negligence and low-flying, but denied three furtehr charges of negligence.

The court was told that no authorization had been given to fly below 145ft during the fly-pps but Commander Hobbs's height was 60ft at the most. When Lieutenant McKenzie took over, Commander Hobbs failed to grab the controls or shout a warning in the seconds before they hit the warship.

Left-wingers criticize Chancellor

By Our Political Reporter

Left-wing response to the Government's economic and pay policy hardened last night when the Tribune Group of Labour MPs issued a statement totally opposing the views expressed by Mr Denis Healey, Chancelolr of the Exchequer, on television on Sunday.

Mr Healey had made it clear that the Government would cut public spending, raise taxes, or both, if a pay explosion threatened attempts to keep inflation within single figures.

The Tribune Group, which is seeking a meeting with the Chancellor, said his statements were opposed to the views of the Labour Party conference and the Trades Union Congress.

"The Labour Party, like the TUC, is against an incomes policy of 5 per cent, and is in favour of a return to free collective bargaining."

The group said that, like the Labour movement, it opposed a monetarist policy as outlined by the Chancellor. That would create further unemployment and do nothing to bring down inflation; on the contrary, it would icrease it.

Man dies in crash

Mr Withson Herron, aged 57, of Edgehill Street, Reading, was found dead in his car at the bottom of an embankment off the A327 near Arborfield, Berkshire, yesterday after a collision involving a 15-ton lorry.

Heathrow acceptance

A mass meeting of 1,800 British Airports Authority ground staff at Heathrow airport, London, yesterday voted to accept a management offer on pay, rejecting a call for strike action.

Vauxhall skilled men reject call to strike

About 2,500 skilled men at Vauxhall's Luton plant yesterday voted against going on strike.

They were told they were letting down their skilled colleagues at Vauxhall factories in neighbouring Dunstable, at Ellesmere Port in Cheshire, and AC Delco workers in Southampton and Kirby, where there are strikes.

Mr Anthony Callaghan, secretary of the skilled men's combined works committee, which called the strike, said: "I am bitterly disappointed. I do not know what I am going to say to the committee when it meets to discuss the result of the strike call." The meeting is at Rugeley, Staffordshire, today.

The Luton men were swayed by the fact that they had achieved as much as their Ford colleagues already, but without a prolonged strike.

Mr Callaghan argued: "You people have to have the strength to stop the draft of skilled men away from the firm. The company has had 13 months to give us a proper craft grade and they have not done it."

Mr Percival Hills, representing the sheet metal workers, told the men: "Production workers must never earn as much as skilled craftsmen."

Mr Glyn Morgan, the engineers' conbener, admitted that their differential over production workers had slipped from 14.5 per cent to 9.9 per cent.

Student must pay £1,650 court costs

From Our Correspondent
Colchester

Peter Moore, a sociology student, formerly of Essex University, has been told that he must pay court costs to the university of £1,650 for his defiance of a High Court injunction banning him from the campus after his part in protest actions in February.

He has been ordered to pay £1,100 and a joint share of £1,100 with another student, Robert Findlay. In addition, he has still to pay a fine of £192 imposed as part of the university's internal discipline before he can obtain his degree.

Mr Moore, living on social security, is studying for an MA degree at Brunel University.

Fewer buses but more bus planners

By Michael Baily
Transport Correspondent

Recent transport legislation is forcing counties to cut services to the public while increasing administrative overheads, Mr Brian Oldridge, county surveyor for Cambridgeshire, said yesterday.

While total turnover for the transportation industry had fallen by 30 per cent since 1972, counties were having to keep up and even increase staff to cope with new legislation, he told the Public Works Congress in Birmingham.

Expenditure on new road construction and maintenance had fallen from £1,653m to £1,231m between 1972 and 1979; yet the total administration budget for local government and road construction units had risen from £135m to £152m. Expressed as a percentage of work costs, administration costs had risen from 8.17 to 12.35.

Current legislation meant a rise by half in staff ratios for transport coordination in Cambridgeshire, Mr Oldridge said. But preparation of coordination plans would not itself achieve better coordination or a better bus service.

The inevitable result would be that within a fixed cash limit available for public transport, money would be switched from actual support of buses to staff necessary to administer the new plan.

House of Commons offices blacked out in fire alert

Large areas and offices in the Commons were blacked out last night by a fire in electrical equipment. MPs were not affected and a debate on the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors' Bill continued in the Chamber.

Telephones and closed circuit television equipment, however, were blacked out. At least four fire engines were to the Palace of Westminster, followed by a mobile operations control unit.

Policemen on duty in Westminster's central lobby reported "two dull rumbles" from cellars under the floor. Immediately main lights went out and smoke poured through floor gratings. As smoke filled the darkened lobby, policemen held handkerchiefs to their faces as they ushered out members of the public.

Mr Oscar Murton, the Deputy Speaker, sitting in semidarkness after his light went out, told MPs they would have to rely on the wall clocks at each end of the Chamber. After the digital clocks stopped working.

Mr Robin Corbett, Labour member for Hemel Hempstead, hoped that "though we cannot see you, Mr Deputy Speaker, you can still see us". Mr Murton assured them that he could. In dining rooms, corridors and bars, candles and lamps were lit.

The fire broke out in an electrical switch panel housed in an area known as the "bandstand", in the heart of the Palace of Westminster. Generating and transformer equipment is housed in that area and firemen using breathing apparatus had to make their way through dense smoke.

They had to switch off the electrical current to get to the seat of he blaze.

Children hurt in coach crash

Twenty-six schoolchildren and teachers from a Gateshead high school were taken to hospital yesterday after a motorway crash, when they were returning from an outing in London.

Their coach swerved and overturned on the M18 near Rotherham. Seven children were detained in hospital.

Atomic weapons base given safety clearance

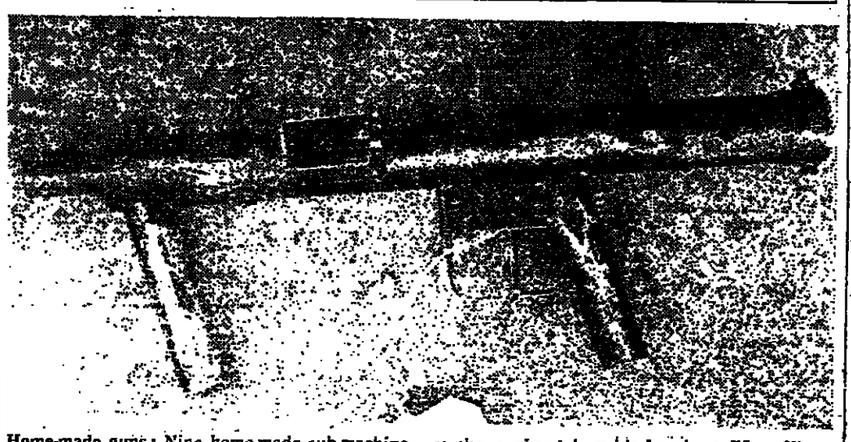
The main working areas of the atomic weapons research establishment at Aldermaston have been given a safety clearance in a report by Sir Edward Pochin, a senior radiologist, Whitehall sources said yesterday.

But Sir Edward is understood to have recommended a tightening of safety procedures, including ventilation and more frequent health checks on staff, in subsidiary areas of the establishment.

The report was received by Mr Frederick Mulley, the Secretary of State for Defence, on November 3. It will probably be published next week, after Mr Mulley has decided what sections should be omitted in the interests of national security.

Bail for P. J. Proby

P. J. Proby, the singer, was remanded on bail until December 13 by magistrates at Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, yesterday, charged with assaulting his secretary, Pamela Ann Baglow, aged 31.



Home-made guns: Nine home-made sub-machine guns and a lathe thought to have been used to make parts for them have been discovered by the police in what they regard as one of the most significant arms finds in Northern Ireland for some time. One of the guns is shown above. The weapons, believed to have been made by a "loyalist" paramilitary organization were found at the weekend in raids by about fifty officers on Donaghadee and Kirkcubbin, towns lying on each side of the Ards peninsula. Four men were being questioned yesterday.
Seven rifles, believed to have been stolen in a raid on the forensic science laboratory in Belfast five years ago, 800 rounds of ammunition and 13 detonators were also found.

Admiral tells of motorway inquiry fracas

From Our Correspondent
Guildford

Rear-Admiral Henry Nixon, a government inspector, told magistrates at Dorking, Surrey, yesterday that abuse was hurled at him from "a sea of angry faces" at a motorway inquiry at Little Bookham, Surrey.

He said that middle-aged, middle-class men had yelled "fascist", "bureaucrat", and "Nixon go home", at him and banged on tables as he tried to conduct an inquiry last September into intrechanges on the M25 motorway.

He was giving evidence against Alan Sidney Piggott, who was accused of "conducting himself in a disorderly and turbulent manner and in breach of the peace" at the reopening of the inquiry at Preston Cross Hotel, Little Bookham.

The magistrates dismissed the complaint against Mr Piggott, aged 40, a chartered chemical engineer, of Hamlets Lane, Ashtead, Surrey, and awarded him £75 costs against the police.

Rear-Admiral Nixon said that when the inquiry was reopened on September 26 after being closed because of disruptions earlier this year, local protesters made an application for adjournment.

"I ruled against that", he said. "Then a fracas broke out. Twenty or thirty people left the public seats and came forward to a barrier of tables between myself and the seats. They started banging on the tables and shouting. My function is to listen to evidence, and through what can only be described as a deafening uproar I was unable to."

Dogs kept vigil by dead man

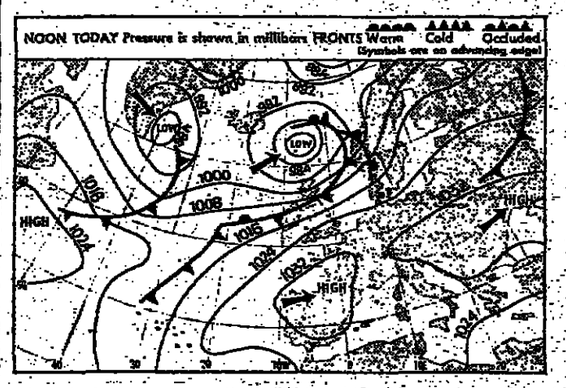
A coroner's officer in Southampton was yesterday investigating the death of Mr Ernest Lockyer, aged 84, of Printons Road. His body lay in his home with his two dogs beside it for more than a month.

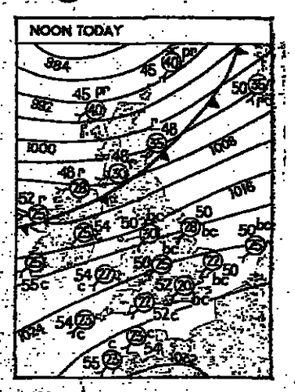
By the time the death was discovered, one of the dogs had died and the other was emaciated and in a state of collapse.

Jetty demolished

Remains of the old German jetty in Alderney Harbour, a relic of the occupation during the Second World War, were demolished by explosives yesterday.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 7.16 am Sun sets: 4.13 pm
Moon sets: 6.27 am Moon rises: 4.32 pm
Full Moon: 8.0 pm.
Lighting up: 4.43 pm to 6.48 am.
High water: London Bridge, 1.9 am, 7.3m (24.0ft); 1.26 pm, 7.2m (23.5ft). Avonmouth, 6.42 am, 13.2m (43.2ft); 7.3 pm, 13.4m (43.9ft). Dover, 10.22 am, 6.7m (21.8ft); 10.52 pm, 6.7m (21.8ft). Hull, 5.20 am, 7.4m (24.3ft); 5.49 pm, 7.4m (24.3ft). Liverpool, 10.41 am, 9.3m (30.5ft); 10.57 pm, 9.4m (30.7ft).

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
A deep depression will move E just N of Scotland.

London, SE, Central S England, Midlands, Channel Islands, East Anglia: Rather cloudy, mainly dry, brief sunny intervals; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max temp 13°C (55°F).

E, SW England, W Midlands: Cloudy, perhaps a little rain, brief sunny intervals developing; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 12°C (54°F).

Wales, NW, Central N, NE England: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain, becoming mainly dry, hill fog patches; wind SW, strong gales in exposed places; max temp 11°C (52°F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, Borders, SW Scotland, N Ireland: Cloudy, rain at times, perhaps heavy, hill fog, windy; wind SW, strong to gale force; max temp 10°C (50°F).

Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow: Rain, probably clearing, mostly cloudy, hill fog patches; wind SW, strong to gale; max temp 9°C (48°F).

Central Highland, Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney, Shetland: Heavy rain, becoming brighter and drier, sunny intervals in places; windy SW, strong to gale; max temp 8°C (46°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Changeable, with showers or longer periods of rain; becoming colder.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; s, sun; sn, snow.

	C	F			C	F
Aberdeen	f	10	50	Lisbon	s	15	59
Algiers	f	20	68	Locarno	s	16	61
Amsterdam	f	14	57	London	f	11	52
Athens	s	19	66	Luxembourg	f	11	52
Barcelona	f	18	64	Madrid	s	19	66
Belfast	f	9	48	Majorca	s	20	68
Berlin	s	8	46	Malaga	s	20	68
Biarritz	c	13	55	Malta	s	23	73
Birmingham	f	10	50	Manchester	s	9	48
Bristol	f	11	52	Moscow	c	-1	30
Brussels	f	10	50	Munich	s	6	43
Budapest	c	7	45	Nice	s	18	64
Cardiff	s	12	54	Oslo	s	4	39
Cologne	c	10	50	Paris	c	11	52
Dublin	f	10	50	Penzance	s	13	55
Edinburgh	f	9	48	Reykjavik	sn	-3	27
Florence	s	12	54	Rome	s	17	63
Funchal	s	21	70	Rothesay	f	11	52
Geneva	c	7	45	Shanklin	f	12	54
Gibraltar	f	19	66	Stockholm	f	5	41
Guernsey	f	15	59	Tel Aviv	s	30	86
Helsinki	s	0	32	Venice	s	9	48
Innsbruck	s	10	50	Vienna	s	6	43
Istanbul	f	12	54	Warsaw	s	1	34
Jersey	f	13	55	Wick	f	8	46
La Palmas	s	25	77	Zurich	f	3	37

Sea Passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind SW, strong; sea very rough.

English Channel (E): Wind SW strong; sea rough.

St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind SW, strong to gale; sea very rough.

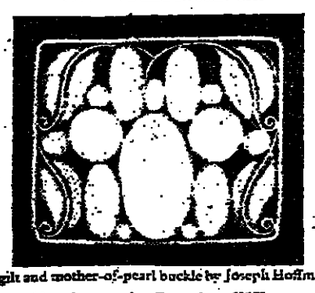
Yesterday

London: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 13°C (55°F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 7°C (45°F). Humidity, 6 pm, 71 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm, 0.21 in. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.6 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,028.0 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars = 29.53 in.

Overseas selling prices: Austria, Sch 18; Belgium, Fr 22; Canaries, Pes 160; Denmark, Dkr 4.25; Finland, Fmk 5.50; France, Fr 3.50; Germany, Dmk 2.50; Greece, Dr 35; Holland, Gfl 2.00; Hongkong, HK$ 6.00; Italy, Lire 700; Luxembourg, Lf 23; Madeira, Esc 25; Malta, 15p; Norway, Kr 3.50; Portugal, Esc 30; Spain, Pes 160; Sweden, Skr 4.50; Switzerland, Sfr 2.50; USA/Canada $1.00; Yugoslavia, Din 25.

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No leadership challenge, Mr Heath says

By Michael Horsnell

Mr Edward Heath, the former Prime Minister, yesterday told an audience of sixth-formers that he would not be challenging Mrs Margaret Thatcher for the future leadership of the Conservative Party.

A smiling Mr Heath wasspeaking before 750 questioning schoolchildren, many of whom ventured into sensitive areas where political commentators fear to tread.

He protested that he had not committed political suicide by supporting Mr Callaghan's pay policy and he grinned when reminded that a recent oponion poll indicared wider potential support for the Conservative Party under his leadership than Mrs Thatcher's.

He was speaking at Central Hall, Westminster, where the Hansard Society had organized a conference for sixth-formers to help to promote a greater interest in politics among schoolchildren.

Might his interestx not be better served by accepting a peerage, in view of his alleged suicide? one intrepid boy asked. The very fact that he was speaking there and elsewhere indicated that he was very much alive, Mr Heath said.

"I am not very interested in going to the House of Lords, whether it is reformed or not. I have a part to play in the House of Commons, I have a contribution to make, I believe, I can do this on all the major issues of the day and that is what I intend to go on doing."

Might he become an independent MP, in view of his alleged permanent differences of opinion with the present Shadow Cabinet?

"No", Mr Heath said, though with less hostility than he might have answered a Robin Day. "I am a member of the Conservative Party and I have worked for it for 40 years, ever since I was an undergraduate, and I intend to go on doing so."

He added: "I have not broken any of the present policies of the Conservative Party. I cannot think of a single basic policy or principle of the Conservative Party that I have broken."

Jail medical officer complains of libel

An allegation that a former woman medical officer at Holloway prison was "paralytically drunk" in front of other staff and prisoners was denied in the High Court yesterday.

The denial came at the start of an action in which the medical officer, Dr Manorama Mehair Singh Legha, aged 50, now at Brixton prison, is suing Dr Margarita Stevenson, senior medical officer at Holloway, claiming that she was libelled in a staff report in 1976.

Dr Legha, of Belsize Park Gardens, Hampstead, London, denied allegations in the report that she was: "lazy, aggressive, lacked concern about her job, drank heavily to the point she could be classified alcoholic, had a personality problem, and spent a great deal of her time in her room with her feet on her desk, smoking and reading magazines and newspapers, or praying."

Dr Stevenson's report alleged that Dr Legha often went on duty under the influence of drink and that on Christmas Eve, 1975, she was "paralytic in full view of staff and inmates". The report also said she could not find some keys of which she was in possession.

Dr Stevenson, of First Street, Chelsea, London, who is contesting the action before Mr Justice Melford Stevenson and a jury, denies writing the report falsely or maliciously.

Mr Peter Cresswell, for Dr Legha, said the allegations, which included serious, unwarranted personal attacks on Dr Legha, were totally untrue and unfair. Dr Stevenson had displayed ill will, professional dislike and jealousy towards Dr Legha.

The hearing continues today.

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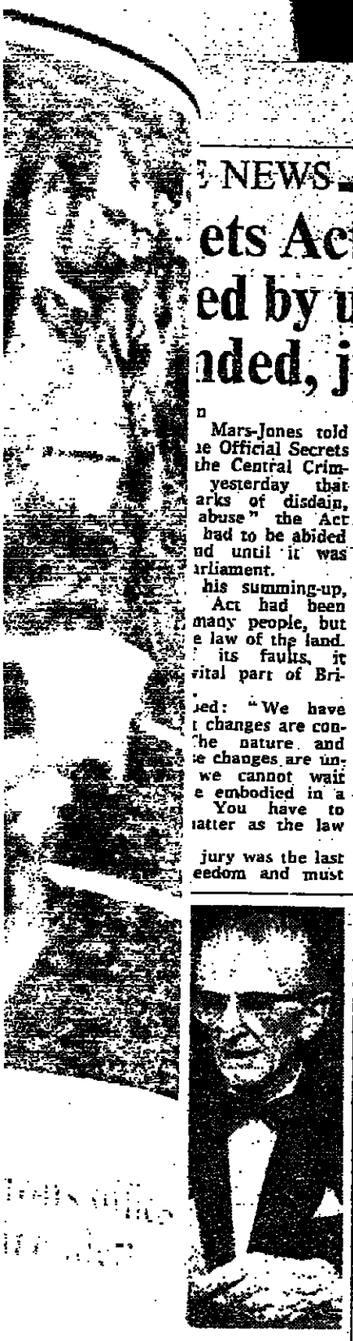
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jury was the last eedom and must resist anything that might warp its judgment. "If you give way to outside pressure", he said, "that will be the end of our system of trial by jury.

"Some of you may resent attempts to usurp your function, but do not let resentment warp your judgment. You may gather there are strong political overtones to the case. If you have any political inclinations, loyalties or affiliations, forget them until this trial is concluded."

The case in which a former corporal in the Intelligence Corp is charged with two journalists was about "the undertakings given by honourable men of their won volition to keep secret all they learnt by having been members of her Majesty's signals intelligence, secrets they must take to the grave, and that is no laughing matr."

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Mr Tarling's new plea on extradition

Richard Tarling, former chairman of Haw Par Brothers International, launched yesterday his second attempt to persuade the High Court that his extradition to Singapore on company law charges would be unjust and oppressive.

Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, his counsel, argued in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court that Mr Tarling should not be extradited because of the lapse oftime since the alleged offences were committed and because the five charges were trivial. They did not involve dishonesty and he had a complete answer to them under Singapore law.

Mr Tarlingis seeking a writ of habeas corpus, which would stop his extradition. Counsel contended that the fact that the court had already rejected a similar move by Mr Tarling in July last year did not prevent him from making a fresh application.

New wave of amateurs lifts British catering

By Robin Young
Consumer Affairs Correspondent

Britain's hoteliers and restaurateurs have been complimented on the standard of their vegetables for the second time in a fortnight, by a new guide-book.

The Automobile Association hotel and restaurant guide, published today, while adding to favourable comments made by Egon Ronay's guide last week, says that tough cabbage, woody carrots, bullet-like broad beans and smashed, rather than mashed, swedes "are often thought of as our national heritage".

The AA asked its inspectors to seek out establishments where special care was taken with vegetables. "They looked for raw ingredients gathered in their prime, cooked to individual order if at all possible, treated with affection, not only by the cook but by the waiter, too", the books says. "The results were most impressive."

They specially commend a Somerset restaurant which serves such interesting preparations as peanuts with pineapple and a blend of apple, walnuts and chicory, a Buckinghamshire hotel which offers okra, Robert Carrier, who cultivates dandelions, and a hotel in te Cotswolds whose managing director makes regular trips to London to buy vegetables.

The AA says a new wave of British hoteliers is "sweeping away the cobwebs of established hotel operation". They are self-confessed amateurs, previously actors, clothiers, wholesale butchers, salesmen, housewives or even accountants.

Mr Ian Tyers, consultant editor of the guide, says they are thriving and learning the respect of the industry.

Hotels and Restaurants in Britain (AA, £3.25, £2.95 for members at AA shops).



Mr John Smith, the new Secretary of State for Trade, arriving for work yesterday.

Navy's new helicopter to deter Russia

From Henry Stanhope
Defence Correspondent
Yeovilton

The Royal Navy yesterday released some more details of WG-34, the new long-range helicopter that will replace the successful Sea King in its new small-aircraft carriers in the late 1980s.

Between 50 and 60 of them will be needed to help to combat a Soviet force of more than 300 submarines, mostly nuclear-powered boats operating in the Atlantic with the northern fleet out of Murmansk.

But the Italian Navy and perhaps the French and German forces are likely to become collaborative partners in the project, whose development costs alone could amount to £1,000m.

Commander Graham Rhys-Jones, of the Directrix of Naval Air Warfare, says that the Soviet submarines by the mid-1980s would probably be faster, deeper diving and better equipped.

A series of feasibility studies conducted at the Ministry of Defence 18 months ago led the Royal Navy to draw up a requirement for a helicopter, operating at greater range from its base, equipped with sonar buoys and with a larger payload than the present Sea King Mk 2. The result is the WG-34, which will have a 21,000lb payload.

The Navy also demonstrated its range of helicopters and the new Sea Harrier, which in the next decade will operate from the new 20,000-ton Invincible class of small carriers, officially known to the fleet as anti-submarine cruisers.

It was part of a naval exercise planned by Vice-Admiral Sir Desmond Cassidi, Flag Officer Naval Air Command, to show that the Fleet Air Arm will remain buoyant long after HMS Ark Royal, its last big aircraft carrier, is paid off in three weeks' time.

'Girl's killer had sexual motive'

The killer of Amanda Randall, aged 14, who worked part-time at a factory at Llanelli, Dyfed, had a sexual motive. Chief Superintendent Patrick Molloy, head of Dyfed-Powys CID, said yesterday. "There were a lot of blows. There was a sexual element in it, but we are not dealing with a rape", he said. There was a strong possibility that the girl might have known her killer.

Government may delay flight switch to Gatwick

The Government may be prepared to compromise over its demand that all air services to Spain and Portugal must move from Heathrow airport, London, to Gatwick from next April, it was learnt yesterday.

The compromise would probably take the form of a delay in the date for the move, perhaps until after next summer. It is more than 18 months since the national airlines of Spain and Portugal, and British Airways, were told they would have to move flights to Gatwick as part of government policy to reduce the load on Heathrow.

Department of Trade officials said yesterday that they had continually invited Spanish and Portuguese officials to look at Gatwick in the belief that they would see the benefits to be gained from the move. Neither Madrid nor Lisbon had replied.

Whitehall believes that despite threats to affect British charter airlines carrying holidaymakers to the Iberian peninsular, there must eventually be a move from Heathrow.

The Spanish in reprisal have banned British Caledonian from landing in Madrid on their flights from London to South America.

Yesterday talks started in London to try to reach a new air services agreement between Britain and Scandinavia. The existing agreement runs out at the end of this year.

Burnt woman identified

A woman whose burnt body was found by children playing on a common in Coventry was identified yesterday as Mrs Theresa Courtney, aged 42, of Earlsdon, Coventry. She appeared to have poured inflammable liquid over herself and set herself alight.

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Regional report

John Chartres
Newcastle upon Tyne

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(another set of which visiting the North-east rize themselves) a rather more gently worded working plan for the two bodies.

It does, however, call for the NEDC to "Concentrate its resources on publicity and promotion only", these activities to be carried out in the United Kingdom and overseas and to be specifically directed at the encouragement of new employment opportunities.

It also calls for an effective scrutiny of the NEDC's £500,000 annual budget by the four county councils, and of its policy and programmes.

This year in addition to Tyne and Wear's £84,000 the development council is receiving £19,000 from Northumberland, £36,000 from Durham, £51,000 from Cleveland, £275,000 from the Government and £21,000 from "other sources".

It is asking for an additional £80,000 from the Government to enable it to compete on reasonable terms in the job attraction business with the Scottish and Welsh industrial development organizations in the devolution age.

Tyne and Wear, Northumberland and Durham county councils have ratified the working arrangement proposals of NECCA, and Cleveland is expected to do so in the next fortnight. That approach has been bipartisan so far between Labour and Conservative councillors, but has faced considerable opposition from Liberals and independents.

Mr John Hobbs, the director, who is a former television producer, and other officials of the NEDC who are normally vocal and hospitable towards the press, are being somewhat reticent, but it is generally accepted that on December 1 their executive will accept what have become known as "the eight commandments".

Even then, however, all will not be entirely clear as to who should be the voice of the north east in the corridors of power in London and elsewhere.

The Northern region of the Labour Party is calling on the central government to strengthen the hand of yet another body, the Northern Economic Planning Council, which is Goverement appointed and is supposed to represent the interests of the five counties, including Cumbria, which is trying unsuccessfully to leave "the North" and rejoin "the North-west".

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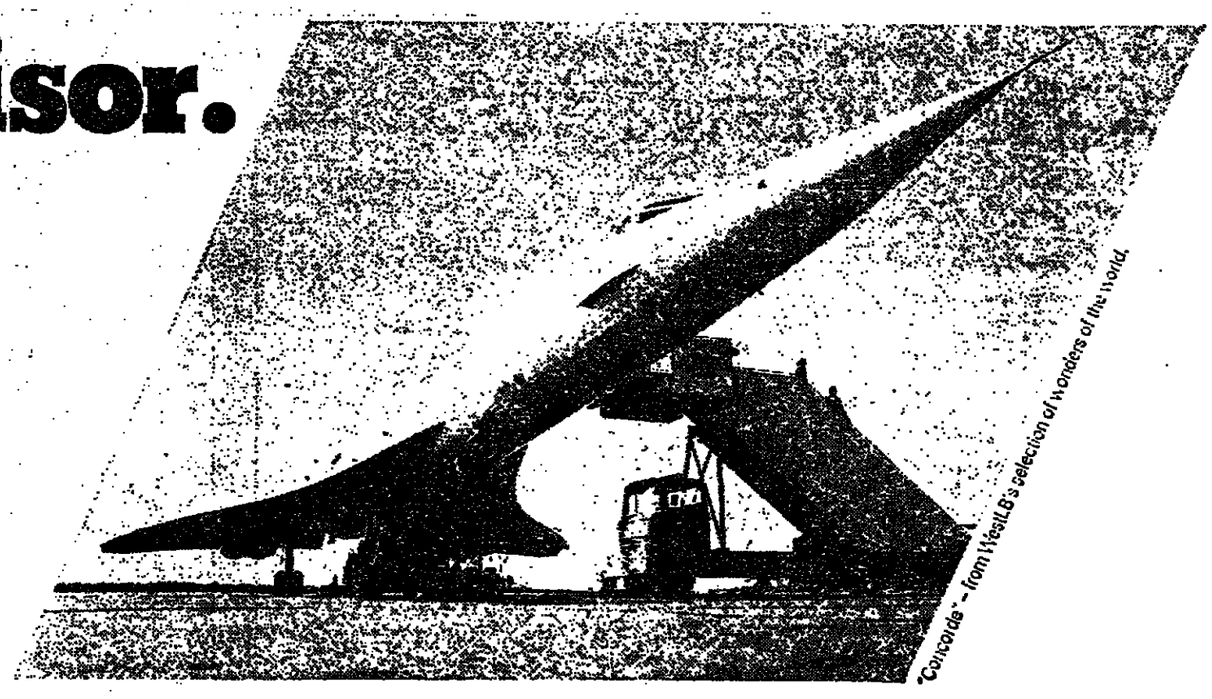
n was made Denzil Davies, State at the letter to Mr leader of Plaid for Carmarthen.

Fashion writers win awards

Mr David Shah, aged 27, editor of *British Clothing Manufacturer*, is to be presented with the annual award for the women's fashion writer of the year by the Clothing Institute tonight.

Marie Scott, aged 38, deputy editor of *Style*, is to get the award for men's fashion writer of the year.

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BL will get more Government aid if corporate plan justifies it

House of Commons

If the corporate plan for British Leyland justified more Government finance, that would be made available by the Government, Mr Eric Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, said during questions.

Mr Anthony Durant (Reading, North, C)—Does he agree with recent statements by the chairman of British Leyland about the industrial record of British Leyland, and if he does, will he no longer prop up this industry with more state aid to prop up jobs lost by industrial action?

Mr Varley—I thought he was going to say that the chairman of BL had done a good job since his apointment. He has. He has brought some stability within the company, organized the divisions much more sensibly and, frankly, profitability has improved over the past 12 months.

Mr Kenneth Clarke (Rushcliffe, C)—for the Opposition—Would he inform that an essential part of the Edwardes plan is that the company should generate a substantial sum up to £850m towards its own investment plans?

Would he confirm that if bad industrial relations destroys the capacity of the company to achieve that target, there is no question of unlimited public funds to make good the shortfall?

Mr Varley—BL's success will depend on whether it can produce cars regularly, and consistently get them into the showrooms and people to buy those cars.

There has been some success over the last 12 months. We have got away from the period of drip feed of resources for British Leyland and moving to a much more equity loan basis.

If we get to a situation where the corporate plan justifies more Government finance, we shall make it available.

Mr Hilary Miller (Bromsgrove and Redditch, C)—Can the minister confirm that the question of further public funding for British Leyland will be considered in the light of the Government's review of the corporate plan and the recommendations of the NFB?

Can he also confirm his earlier undertaking that he will make a statement when he gets that plan? Will he also take the opportunity of confirming that, contrary to the impression in some quarters, the chairman of BL has withheld investment funds until the resolution of some of the problems concerning the company?

Mr Varley—I can confirm that I shall make available as much information as I can about the corporate plan after the Government have had the chance of reviewing the NEB's recommendation, and we shall do that early in the new year.

As for investment, it is true that the BL management have withheld some investment as a result of some industrial disputes that have taken place over the last few months.

Mr Tom Litterick (Birmingham, Selly Oak, Lab)—Can the minister say if and when he proposes to conclude a planning agreement with the management of BL?

Mr Varley—It has been on the stocks for some time now. There are encouraging signs from BL about its market share and there has been an improvement in profitability.

But the great disappointment from my point of view is that worker participation in BL has not taken off in any sense. There has been some involvement in some plants but involvement has been disregarded in others. I want to see not only a planning agreement but progress with industrial democracy inside BL.

NEB looking into story about Allied Investments

A press report on Allied Investments had been taken up with the National Enterprise Board, Mr Gerald Kaufman, Minister of State for Industry, said at question time. He said he had read the article with great concern.

Mr Jeffrey Rooker (Birmingham, Perry Barr, Lab) had asked if the chairman of NEB could be asked to institute an inquiry within NEB as to why it had bailed out Sir Richard Marsh's company, Allied Investments, earlier this year.

What now appears to be untruths were told by Sir Richard (he said) concerning the number of orders which he claimed the company had on the books.

Is he aware of the amount of money which that company has been paying in bribes in Arab countries, which far outweighs anything in which British Leyland was ever involved? Will he confirm that and press this point upon the Chairman of NEB, that public money ought not to be used to bail out such seedy capitalists as Sir Richard Marsh? (Laughter).

Mr Kaufman—I have seen the press article to which he refers. I have read it with great concern and I have taken it up with the NEB. He would not expect me to comment on it any further.

Mr Peter Hordern (Horsham and Crawley, C)—In view of the series of disastrous investments NEB has made, would he consider replacing the present chairman by the new Lord Mayor of London, Sir Kenneth Cork, the liquidator.

Mr Kaufman—in fact latest reports show that the NEB has made a profit on their own investments.

Mr Christopher Price Lewisham, West, Lab)—Referring to Allied Investments, would he confirm that I wrote to him nearly two years ago about the state of this particular company?

Now it has been shown to have put forward a completely false prospectus and since it spends its time making money in the Gulf states in order to undermine the National Health Service by building private nursing homes here, would he look at the NEB policy in this area?

Mr Kaufman—I appreciate his concern. He has written and I have replied. There are certain elements in what he said which if he reflects he will find not justified.

Mr Robert McCrindle (Brentwood and Ongar, C)—Is it true that NEB funds are being used at British Leyland to provide sales terms for Leyland agents, which are simply not available to any commercial competitor, like Fords? Is this fair use of taxpayers' money?

Mr Kaufman—If he has any evidence of such practices at British Leyland I would be grateful if he will send it to me and I will have it looked into.

Mr Ennals wants to attract back nurses who have left profession

Mr David Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services (Norwich, North, Lab) moving the second reading of the Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors Bill, said it was an historic moment for the nursing profession. The Bill replaced the existing broad bodies responsible for the education, training and regulation of the professions by a single, central United Kingdom council supported by powerful national boards in each of the four countries.

It did not make any changes in the substance of professional education and training. It paved the way for the profession to initiate a new system of integrated training, on the lines recommended by the Briggs report, when the substantial resources required were available.

The emphasis on an integrated structure of health care concerned with prevention as well as cure was the keynote of the report which was presented in October, 1972.

The Government had no intention of rushing the committee stage, but they wanted to see the Bill on the statute book as soon as possible.

The Royal College of Nursing recently presented a report to him which highlighted some of the worrying aspects of the current nursing scene. One of the most serious issues was the fall in nurse recruitment and training during the last two years.

In March, 1978, figures showed that the total number of nursing staff in the NHS was continuing to rise. The number of nurses in the total workforce who were qualified had increased. Those increases had to be viewed in the context of rising nurse workload caused by the increasing number of patients, the reduced lengths of stay and the technological advances in medical science.

Nurses had been coping with an increasingly heavy burden of responsibility in recent times, added to by the recent industrial action. It was essential to train more nurses to meet the increasing demands.

There was a considerable reserve of trained nurses who had left the service for domestic and other reasons and with the health authorities he was examining ways of attracting some of them back to nursing.

There should be a major drive to bring back into nursing some of those with experience who had left the profession. Over 9,000 jobs, more than half for nurses and midwives, should be available as a result of the injection by the Government of the extra £40m into the NHS in England which was announced in the Budget.

There was a need for positive manpower planning at all levels in the service. He intended to issue to NHS authorities and to publish early next year a discussion document dealing with a large range of issues involving nurse manpower plans, including recruitment. The fall in entrants to nurse training in the last two years had been worrying.

The latest figures were much more encouraging. In the first half of the current year—April to September—numbers of new students increased by 40 per cent over the same period of last year. A fall in pupil entrants had been arrested. There was an increase in numbers between July and September.

The figures, encouraging though they were, were not enough to lead to any complacency.

The Bill dealt with only the first five of the Briggs report's 75 recommendations. A great part of the rest of the report did not require legislation and had been carried into effect in other ways.

He hoped and intended that new statutory bodies proposed to be set up under the Bill would study the recommendations on education and training carefuly and present the Government with an up-to-date consensus view.

The finance available for the Bill was some £2,500,000 at 1978 survey prices which was needed for the handover period before the new bodies took on the functions of the old. That was proposed to be found by adjusting the existing programme.

The main purpose of the Bill was to establish a United Kingdom central council of nursing, midwifery and health visitors. The central council would provide and maintain a national register of qualified nurses, midwives and health visitors.

The new council would be required to prepare and maintain a professional register of qualified nurses, midwives and health visitors. It would replace all the existing registers and roles. The proposals were the result of extensive consultations with the professions.

Among organizations which had reservations were the Central Midwives Board for England and Wales which had fears that midwives' rights would be swallowed up in the interests of the numerically superior nursing profession. He understood those fears but did not share them. Neither did the Royal College of Midwives and the Central Midwives Board for Scotland.

The Bill contained powers for the minister to set up further specialist committees to look after specialist interests if this was felt to be necessary and desirable. For some groups this would be necessary and the Bill cited as examples district nursing, mental nursing and clinical nursing. Committees would be established for these three groups.

As time went by there might well emerge the need for other specialist committees and he would not rule out the possibility of their establishment.

The special interests of health visitors would be looked after by the joint committee which would be set up.

The Bill created overall unity while safeguarding differences.

Selection of jurors in criminal trials

Mr Samuel Silkin, the Attor General, indicated he was satis with the present procedure for selection of potential jurors serious criminal trials.

Mr Geoffrey Dodsworth (Sc West Hertfordshire, C)—Will Attorney General accept there considerable disquiet rece because his statement on this ject was made as a result adverse press criticism.

It came as a surprise to m people to find that a matter of nature had not been announce Parliament.

Will he undertake that any n lon of the guidelines will be n available to the public at the liest possible opportunity and ferably through this House?

Mr Silkin—He is in error. practice has been going on sun least 1948 and probably a deal earlier than that. It is since 1974-75 that it has been ject to control to ensure operated as infrequently as sible but as fairly as possibl the defence as well as the pro tion.

The matter was brought to attention of the then Home S tary (Mr Roy Jenkins) and m in 1974 and, after we thoroughly gone into it, I info the House of the position in to a question on May 19, 19 said in the reply that my info tion would be amplified by a l from the Home Secretary to MP asking the question. That sent and it contained f information.

If MPs did not take it up t do not think any blame attach Mr Roy Jenkins or myself.

Mr Alexander Lyon (York, said it came as a surprise to hi see the guidelines published in *Times*. I still hold to the view said) that you cannot have rule for the defence and one for the prosecution. If the del have been limited, as they been in recent years, in the of investigations they can mal the backgrounds of jurors, s the same consideration sh apply to the prosecution?

Mr Silkin—If Mr Lyon, who in the Home Office, is surprise the form which the guidelines taken, I can only assume tha the time he did not study correspondence in his own de ment because that made it clea

The major new developmen the guidelines was to do ev thing possible to see that defence were put in equality the prosecution.

The whole basis of the wa which this has operated is th anything is learned which can sibly be likely to influence defence to want to use their to challenge a particular ju because he may possibly be h to the defendant or for some lar reason, then counsel for prosecution is required to in the defence and give them as information as possible.

The defence cannot be all to have the same access to records which is given to police and passed to the Dire of Public Prosecutions. (La shouts of "Why not?")

Mr Christopher Price (Lewis West, Lab) asked if the Atto General would issue guidanc define more precisely, particu in terms of membership of connexion with particular or zations, the words "extreme ical beliefs" in Paragraph 5 guidelines on jury check October 10, 1978.

Mr Samuel Silkin, in a w reply, said—No. The operati the guidelines in respect of particular case is considered i light of the circumstances of case. The safeguards incorpo in the guidelines are adequa avoid unreasonable use of system.

Mr Price, also asked if the ney General would amend guidelines to make it clear th information from Special B records mentioned in Paragr did not include information ered by the methods prohibit the latter part of his statemen Mr Silkin.—No. The pers checks are of the records as stand at the date of the check

Awaiting outcome of Ford talks

The Government hoped the Ford negotiations would result in a settlement within the pay guidelines, Mr Varley, Secretary of State for Industry, said.

He told MPs that the Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection (Mr Roy Hattersley) had been in touch with Ford about its pricing policy.

Mr Varley was replying to Mr Max Madden (Sowerby, Lab) who asked: Has the department made any representations to the company about its pricing policy because the company has increased prices over a number of years when there has not been any considerable wage pressure?

Mr Varley said he did not know whether it was possible for Ford to give any precise information about this.

Sir Keith Joseph, chief Opposition spokesman on industry (Leeds, North, East, C) asked whether there were to be sanctions against Ford.

Mr Varley—we had better await the outcome of the negotiations. It is our hope the negotiations will result in a settlement within the guidelines. (Conservative laughter).

EMS Green Paper

Mr Denis Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in a written reply, said: I propose to publish a Green Paper setting out the Government's approach in advance of the debate on the European Monetary System which will be held later this month.

Endeavours to save shipbuilding jobs

The Government would do everything possible to save jobs in the British shipbuilding industry, Mr Gerald Kaufman, Minister of State for Industry, said during questions.

Mr Timothy Renton (Mid-Sussex C)—When the Secretary of State meets again with the chairman of British Shipbuilding, can he assure us that he is taking a realistic view of the shipbuilding industry, against the background of Japan's reported plans to cut back production by 35 per cent and Norway by 48 per cent?

What cutbacks are going to be needed in British shipbuilding output and manufacture if losses of British Steel dimensions are to be avoided in future years?

Mr Kaufman (Manchester, Ardwick, Lab)—This Government will do everything possible to save as many jobs as possible in the British shipbuilding industry, recognizing that contraction is a world wide problem.

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab)—In view of the decision of the Labour Party conference that Western Shiprepairers should be taken over as part of a nationalized industry, would he indicate what steps he and the Secretary of State are taking in that direction to save jobs at Western Shiprepairers.

Mr Kaufman—British Shipbuilders are considering the matter. Last week I met a delegation of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions with workers' representatives from Western Shiprepairers who handed me a plan for diversification of Western.

I met the chief executive of British Shipbuilders last week, handed him that plan and asked him to consider it constructively.

Mr Norman Lamont (Kingston upon Thames, C)—for the Opposition—Can we be assured that the full details of the corporate plan including manpower cutbacks will be laid before Parliament?

Mr Kaufman—The Government have a record of saving jobs in the British shipbuilding industry unrivalled in any shipbuilding industry in the world. We will consider the corporate plan when we have received it. We shall have to see what commercial confidential matter there is in it in what is a serious world competitive situation.

Mr David Hunt (Wirral, C)—Will he arrange for a detailed statement explaining the extent of cutbacks that will be necessary?

Mr Kaufman—He has not spoken to any shipyard workers lately. The British merchant shipbuilding industry today would not exist if it had not been for nationalization.

Overfishing threat to mackerel

Mr Robert Hicks (Bodmin, C) unsuccessfully sought for an emergency debate on the threat to the inshore fishing industry of the South-West of England from developments in mackerel fishing.

He said that there had been a major concentration of United Kingdom fishing vessels off the coast of south Devon and south Cornwall fishing for mackerel. More fish were being taken from the water than the amounts allowed in the quotas.

Parliamentary notices

House of Commons

Today at 2.30: Motions on EEC documents on enlargement, on display and price of foodstuffs and on groundwater pollution.

House of Lords

Today at 2.30: Legal aid regulations. Debatable question on re-equipment of the Queen's Flight with modern aircraft.

Bill does not tackle chaos in nursing

Dr Gerard Vaughan, an Opposition spokesman on social services (Reading, South, C) said there was considerable anxiety on both sides about the Bill. There was a fear that the care of patients would suffer.

There was also a fear, particularly among health visitors, but also among other professional bodies, that their own contributions and identities would be lost as a result of the Bill.

A complicated structure was to be set up. There were great problems in the nursing profession. Standards of patient care were falling. They did not want to start changing the administration of the nursing profession in a way that would accelerate the problems.

He hoped the committee stage debate on the Bill, which had all-party support, would not be restricted by a guillotine and that they would be able to produce a Bill which would carry all the professional groups with it.

Were MPs being asked to open a door through which anything the Government would like to introduce could be passed? This was a kind of blank cheque. If so, it was not a correct way to handle changes so fundamental to the nursing profession.

The nursing situation was in an appalling state of chaos. The Bill would do nothing to put right all the problems facing nursing today, the morale situation, the shortages, the grossly inadequate pay situation, and the industrial unrest.

The Opposition wondered why the Government should have gone for a change in administration and done nothing about the critical needs facing nurses. The Whitley machinery needed changing. Nurses should not be dealt with separately from other groups of NHS workers in negotiations at hospital and area administration level.

The Opposition had already had representatives from a number of different groups, particularly from health visitors. They were not at all happy and did not think that their special position in preventive work was sufficiently safeguarded.

It would be very sad (he said) if as a result of this Bill—and they have already said that this is a possibility—health visitors take themselves out of nursing and into the social services. That would be a tragedy for the NHS.

Most of the discussions in committee were likely to centre on the rights of the special groups of nurses and their preservation in future. The Opposition would also want to look at the European implications in the clause on admission of nurses to their professional register.

The health visitors were anxious about what they called their vulnerable position. They were also deeply concerned that the education and training of health visitors, which they had worked so hard to establish, would not be safeguarded.

He asked whether it was correct that the nurses, midwives and health visitors in the field had not had access to the proposals for this Bill? If that were so, it was a strange kind of consultation.

It had been suggested that the Bill would require more in the way of resources of money and manpower and that this would lead to a lowering of standards of patient care.

The Opposition was concerned generally about the size of the committee structure and the numbers of the boards concerned. They were also concerned about the financial memorandum. It might cost an extra £1.5m in the first year. The special groups did not think there would be no measureable affect on longterm manpower needs. They said it would lead to an increase in manpower needs.

We welcome the Bill (he said). We respect the view of the nursing profession that a reorganization is necessary. We shall help the Bill on its way but shall look carefully at its provisions. We deplore the lack by the Government of any other more immediate and positive ways of helping the nursing situation and stemming the disastrous fall which we see going on in the standard of care for patients.

Although the Bill is probably going to do a good job for the nurses it is no substitute for what we see as a lack of leadership right through the management services.

Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, UU) said the Bill was welcome because it brought the nursing professions in Northern Ireland under the same system and organizations as the rest of the United Kingdom.

Northern Ireland's equal medical representation on the central council was generous and was a welcome approach to bringing the professions there into a much closer coordination with their colleagues on the mainland.

Mr Stanley Thorne (Preston, South, Lab) said they might be forgiven for wondering whether the Bill might have been better left until after the Royal Commission on the health services had reported. It would be making recommendations which were relevant to the subject of the Bill.

The role of the health visitor should be given second place, as was implied in certain parts of the Bill, to the other professions involved in it.

Mr Laurence Pavitt (Brent, South, Lab) said that this was a skeleton of a Bill, but no Bill did all the things wanted of it. The Bill should be welcomed. At long last it tried to put the right professional status into the nursing education and training scheme.

Credit references

The Post Office intended to go ahead with schemes using credit reference agencies, Mr Leslie Huckfield, Under Secretary for Industry, said in reply to complaints from Labour MPs about deposit requirements for intending telephone subscribers in certain areas, in addition to installation charges before a new telephone was installed.

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Advertising by ICL in Rhodesia

When Mr Robert Hughes (Aberdeen, North, Lab) asked if the Attorney General would refer to the Director of Public Prosecutions the activities of International Computers Ltd in South Africa, with a view to prosecution for breaches of the Rhodesia sanctions order. Mr Arthur Davidson, Parliamentary Secretary, Law Officers' Department, said the Attorney General had received no information which would justify his doing so. Any information received would be given full consideration.

Mr Hughes said ICL had been advertising in the Rhodesian press as being able to make available its range of computer services and indeed to supply computers. Since they had no manufacturing capacity in South Africa, was not it reasonable to assume there was some connexion between manufacture of computers in this country and their supply to Rhodesia?

Is not this (he said) a matter which ought to be investigated thoroughly and will he do so, if I send him further information?

Mr Davidson—If Mr Hughes sends me further information I will examine it and if that information contained something that ought to go to the DPP I can assure him it will be sent.

Delays in bringing cases to court

Mr Peter Archer, the Solicitor General, said that the Lord Chancellor was deeply concerned about delays in the Crown Court caused by the continuing increase in the number of criminal cases coming before the court. He had already taken a number of steps to contain the situation and would be continuing to treat the matter as one of urgency.

Mr John Watkinson (West Gloucestershire, Lab) asked how far advanced were plans to increase the number of courts particularly in London, and for extending the number of hours which courts sat.

Mr Archer—There has been a substantial increase in the average waiting time. In 1972 over the country it was 11.2 weeks and at the end of June, 1978, it was 13.7 weeks. This situation is more serious in London where average waiting time now is 25.2 weeks.

There has been a substantial building programme for courts and in London it is hoped an additional 20 court rooms will be found within the next two years.

Portugal committed to democrac

European Parliament
Strasbourg

Direct elections to the European Parliament would be an historic step in the unification of Europe, General Antonio Ramalho Eanes, the President of Portugal said when he addressed Parliament. Portugal, along with Greece and Spain, is seeking to join the present nine members of the European Community.

General Eanes said that universal suffrage would give the European Parliament the legitimacy it needed to tackle all the problems and difficulties of Europe and to meet all the hopes and expectations bound up with the construction of a united, strong and democratic Europe.

As the first Portuguese President (he went on) for over half a century to be directly elected by democratic suffrage, I bear witness by my presence to our commitment to a pluralist democracy, without which European integration cannot advance.

The construction of Europe was not confined to economic and financial advantage, but was an attempt to restore balance to Europe's creative genius and prevent the Continent tearing itself asunder through selfish attitudes incompatible with the present character of its relationss with the rest of the world.

Although all the difficulties had not yet been overcome, it was plain that the Community had developed a solidarity.

The Community (he said) has shown that Europe, hemmed in by the superpowers, threatened by its own internal tensions, inherently fragmented and divided still by mistrust, is nevertheless capable of uniting in order to overcome the difficult problems in its path.

No other decision other than an application to join the Community would have been politically and institutionally consistent with his country's commitment to democracy. Portugal was an integral part of Europe and the Community would never satisfy all the aspirations to European integration until all European countries were members.

The decision by the Community to open negotiations with Portugal underpinned the applicant countries' commitment to democracy and Europe. That commitment demonstrated the Community's determination to pursue the gressive construction of Euro

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Whitehall brief: Life is different for an Army detachment monitoring the firing of the latest missiles

Uncrowned 'king' reigns for nine months over gale-swept island in Atlantic

By Peter Hennessy

The Ministry of Defence is unique among government departments in having an uncrowned monarch on its books, the "King of St Kilda".

He rules over a gale-swept island, far out in the North Atlantic, a hundred miles off the Scottish mainland. His "subjects" include two sergeant-majors, 30 men, the St Kilda mouse, the St Kilda wren, a scattering of Soay sheep, a great many puffins, the finest sea cliffs in the British Isles, and several pieces of advanced radar equipment.

St Kilda gets a new "king" every nine months. At present he is Captain Scott Forsyth, Officer Commanding the St Kilda Detachment, Royal Artillery Range, Hebrides.

Last week the final landing craft until next February arrived to provide Captain Forsyth's kingdom with enough supplies for six months. It beached in Village Bay in a period of relative calm in between storms. In September the tail end of Hurricane Flossie picked up a 700lb box of radar components and hurled them 50 metres.

For Captain Forsyth and his men it will be a long winter of bird-watching, quiet reading and not so quiet parties in the Puff Inn, their home-made pub. On Helloween night they all put on fancy dress and ate toffee apples.

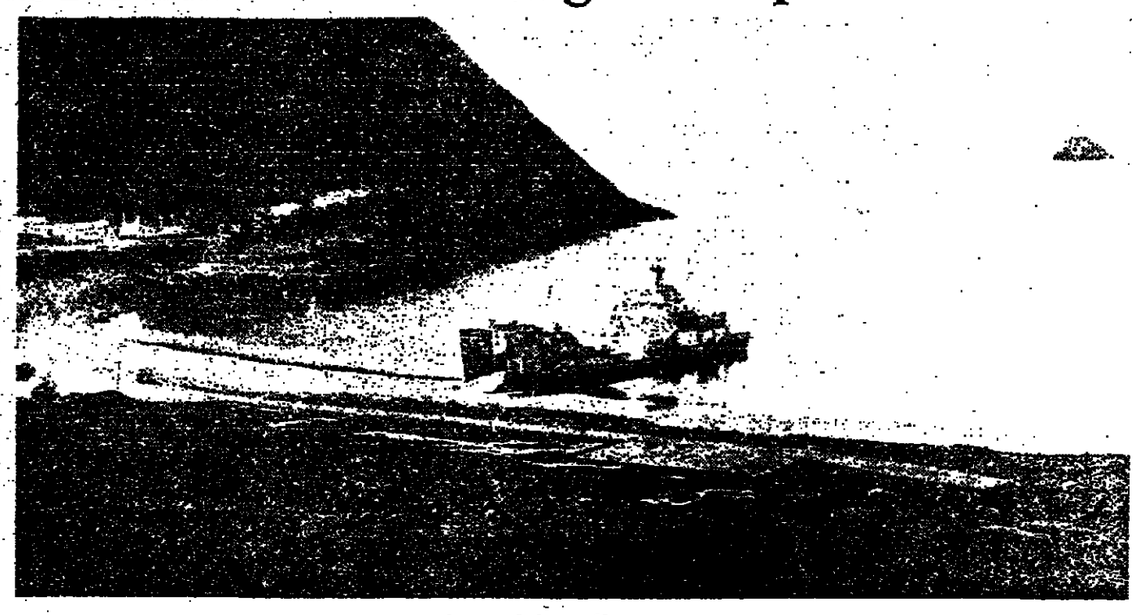
Christmas will be "one long celebration". Some hours will be whiled away by putting postcards in traditional St Kilda mailboats, hollowed out lumps of wood, once used in all seriousness by St Kildans before they evacuated in 1930 to let the mainland know they were starving. "I do not think I will serve anywhere else where the morale is so high", the King of St Kilda says.

Long winter of quiet reading and not so quiet parties

In between the fun, Captain Forsyth and his subjects monitor the firing of the latest missiles the Ministry of Defence has at its disposal to protect Britain against the Queen's enemies. If her enemies arrive in fast, low-flying aircraft, they will, with luck, be shot down by Rapier or Blowpipe missiles.

The men who shoot them down will almost certainly have trained with live missiles on the Outer Hebrides range, releasing their projectiles from the range head at South Uist and aiming them at dummy targets flying to the south of St Kilda which is 45 miles away.

Blowpipe and Rapier will get *nowhere near the island*. Once or twice a year, however, a Lance regiment arrives from Germany. Lance is a nuclear surface-to-surface missile with a range of 75 miles. Happily, the gunners leave their warheads in Germany, so the mice, the wrens and puffins have nothing to fear. They could, however, if they were looking the right way, see the deadly things splashing down in the ocean.



Landing craft at Village Bay, St Kilda, with six months' supplies.

One of the pleasant aspects of life in this remote outpost of the Ministry of Defence is the energetic attempts the military make to avoid disturbing the local surroundings. Captain Forsyth cannot install the smallest bit of kit without consulting the Nature Conservancy Council, which leases the island to the ministry.

There are no by-laws to constrain ships and aircraft from entering the "safety envelope" that stretches 100 miles by 70 miles from the rangehead because international waters are involved. They operate, however, with enormous safety margins.

The prime job of Brigadier "Paddy" Ryan, the commandant of the range and one of the most genial and tactful men to wear the Queen's uniform, is keeping the local lobster fishermen and the island population in general happy. He said frankly: "We are an alien community imposed upon the Uists. We are not even Highlanders, though most of the islanders do not see us as an army of occupation."

There was much local opposition in the early days of the range in the late 1950s. It was led most effectively by a local Roman Catholic priest, Father "Rocket" Morrison, as he became known. He succeeded in winning much more compensation for the islands than would otherwise have been forthcoming from the Exchequer.

A man of piety and wit, he used part of the money to erect a statue of Our Lady of the Isles just in front of the radar domes and aerials of "Space City", the range control centre perched on an outcrop in South Uist. The virgin has her hand raised. Brigadier Ryan, who is a Roman Catholic, "likes to think she is blessing us".

Persuasion and community service are the keys to his efforts to keep the islanders reconciled to their military visitors. He also needs a few fast boats and some first-class surveillance radar.

If a missile goes "rogue", or becomes unguided, it has to be destroyed before a lobster boat or a passing trawler sails to the bottom, or before an airliner, 35,000 feet above on the Great Circle route to North America, makes a rude interruption into the daily life of the Soay sheep, the wren and the mouse. (Although the gunners insist that none of the missiles fired in the Hebrides, rogue or not, would get anywhere near an aircraft at that altitude.)

So far, the gunners have succeeded, with no near misses. Perhaps Our Lady of the Isles does have a soft spot for the Ministry of Defence after all.

Former MP's daughter fined for theft

Drug-taking led Sophie Cordle, aged 22, the daughter of a former MP, into crime, it was stated at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, London, yesterday. Miss Cordle pleaded guilty to two charges of theft and was fined £100 and ordered to pay £125 compensation.

She was charged with stealing antique clothes from a friend and reselling them in a market in King's Road, Chelsea. Miss Cordle, a registered drug-taker, was on probation for previous drug offences, the court was told.

Miss Gayle Hallom, for the defence, said that Miss Cordle, who now lives in Kensington, lost her job as a secretary after developing hepatitis. "She was getting into financial difficulties because of her drug-taking." After stealing and selling the clothes, Miss Cordle had second thoughts about what she had done, and confessed to the friend.

Miss Hallom added: "It may be a long road to complete recovery. Her illicit drug-taking has ceased." The difficulties that gave rise to her drug-taking were being attended to.

Employers to be studied

The Leverhulme Trust has given £48,000 for a two-year study of the responses of employers to the educational qualifications of school and college-leavers (our Education Correspondent writes). The project is to be carried out by an educational research institute at Lancaster University and the Policy Studies Institute in London.

£30,000 armed robbery

Four men armed with sawn-off shotguns escaped with about £30,000 early yesterday after breaking in through a window at a post office in Newmarket, Suffolk and tying up three night workers.

Prisoner returns

A search for Bernard Brannan, aged 33, a killer who failed to return to Perth prison after weekend home leave, ended yesterday when he gave himself up at a police station in Glasgow.

ıchers oppose plan for ;ineering training

ıttempt to introduce in- or engineering training ools would be disastrous, ıtional Association of 's in Further and Higher on said yesterday. ticized plans for reform- gineering craft appren- s by the Engineering y Training Board and ed total opposition to the proposal that schools undertake specific en- ng training for pupils rom 14 to 16. Jack Mansell, vice-chair- f the association's educa- ommittee, said it would in practice that engineering or industrial apprenticeships would begin in school. The effect would be to make the school system chaotic.

The association believed that work in schools should be of value in educational terms and not only in limited vocational terms, Mr Mansell said.

The board's scheme is put forward in a discussion paper, *Review of Craft Apprenticeship in Engineering*. It says that appropriately designed school courses would be recognized as having reached standards equivalent to the first six months of training in first-year engineering training centres.

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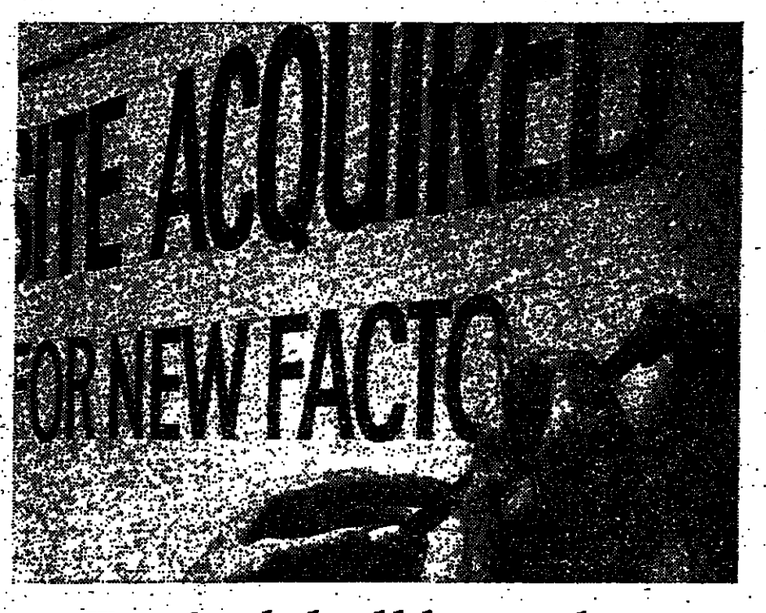
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ow our Party constituencies ıtland will not be pressed mpaign for the Scottish bly before the referendum arch, Mrs Helen Liddell, arty secretary in Scotland, n Glasgow yesterday. campaign in all 71 Scottish ituencies would start early bruary to secure a "yes" in the referendum. It d receive more than 00, mainly from the party's nal executive in London, with contributions from the ur movement in Scotland.

Mrs Liddell said: "If any of the constituency parties decide not to campaign, that will be up to them. There will be no witchhunt, and the party will not insist that all members toe the line."

Mr James Allison, Scottish organizer, said he believed that the party had a duty to explain the terms of the Bill to the people. There was evidence, he said, that other parties were prepared to combine to jeopardize the referendum. Labour's aim was to secure at least 1,500,000 votes and so pass the 40 per cent hurdle.

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WEST EUROPE

Known facts about Bonn leaders' Nazi party membership recalled in smear campaign

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, Nov 13

West Germans have lived through a disagreeable week in which many learnt for the first time that the two highest men in the land, President Walter Scheel and Herr Karl Carstens, the President of the Bundestag, had been members of the Nazi party.

It is a fact that neither of them has tried to conceal nor has any reason to be ashamed of. Like millions of other Germans of the day they were required to be members. Neither of them supported the regime, neither was an active Nazi and both were later completely cleared by denazification courts.

What made it disagreeable was the fact that the "revelations" clearly served dubious political purposes. Behind them, it appears, is not so much concern about the past as about the presidential election next May for which the two seem the most likely candidates.

In the process, however, they helped to taint the reputation of the West German leadership among foreigners and among young people here, who are unaware what life under the Nazi totalitarian regime was like. Few understand that millions of Germans felt they had no choice but to join the party.

The disclosures have to do with the realization by the Social Democrats and the Free Democrats this autumn that the majority of the population would like to keep President Scheel for another term. His charming, sunny nature and liberal outlook have endeared him to West Germans.

The President is chosen by the National Assembly, composed of the two Houses of Parliament and representatives of the *Länder*. Since the election of President Scheel, a Free Democrat, the Opposition Christian Democrats have gained a majority in the body.

The strong pressure from the Free Democrats and Social Democrats for President Scheel's reelection has caused some embarrassment to the Christian Democrats. They feel they have a right to the next President who, although he has no political power, represents the country at home and abroad and can contribute to the general atmosphere.

On the other hand they feel uneasy about replacing Herr Scheel simply for party prestige. And because of internal differences and tensions they have at present no undisputed potential candidate.

Herr Carstens, however, seemed the most likely one. Tall and distinguished looking he is a member of the more conservative wing of the Christian Democrats but as President of the Bundestag has cultivated a liberal, non-party political image.

Not, it is widely believed, by coincidence, press reports last week recalled that Herr Carstens had been a Nazi party member. He retorted that this had been known for more than 30 years and explained that he had had to apply to join in order to keep the grant which enabled him to study law. He added that he had not been a resistance fighter and never claimed to be one but was against the Nazi regime.

The effect—if any—of the reports was largely neutralized by subsequent "revelations" that Herr Scheel too had been a Nazi party member. Herr Scheel confirmed that he had been made a member while serving as an officer in the Luftwaffe and has no recollection or record of having applied. Officers were required to be party members and sometimes became so automatically.

The conservative newspaper, *Die Welt* wrote today: "If we do not learn to deal with problems instead of destroying persons, if we do not contest prejudices instead of wallowing in them, if we do not solve the problems of the 80s instead of losing ourselves in the past of Hitler and Marx, then this Republic has a dark future".

Chancellor's eye surgery: Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, is recovering from surgery to the injured cornea of one of his eyes, a Government statement said today.—AP.



Swiss men, all of whom are liable to annual military service, taking part in the last of this year's traditional marathon-races-with-rifle over the full 26-mile course at Frauenfeld near Zurich.

M Mesrine 'at bay' after kidnap failure

From Charles Hargrove
Paris, Nov 13

Police are convinced that it is only a matter of time before they lay hands on M Jacques Mesrine. He is regarded as one of the most dangerous gangsters at large in this country, and has successfully defied one of France's biggest man hunts since his spectacular escape from the Santé prison last May.

He was serving a 20-year sentence in the prison's high security wing for a series of armed holdups over the past few years in which several people were killed.

His unsuccessful attempt to kidnap M Charles Petit, the president of the Paris assizes, from his flat last Friday tends to convince the police that the former daring "gentleman-gangster", who affected a certain panache and posed as the protector of the weak and the poor against the powerful and the rich, is now a man at bay.

They believe he realizes the net is closing in on him, and will shrink from nothing to avoid being taken alive, as he himself proclaimed in a sensational interview published last July in *Paris-Match*.

The conviction of the police is reinforced by certain clues, about which it is keeping very quiet, found in the past two days at the Paris flat of his accomplice, M Jean-Luc Coupé, described as a petty vagabond. He admitted that he had been held under the spell of M Mesrine's fame.

These clues have led today to charges of concealing a dangerous criminal against Mme Isabelle de Wangen, the journalist who did the *Paris-Match* interview.

They allege that she had met M Mesrine in the flat, and not in the country, as she had told the police; and had not been taken to the flat blindfolded, as she also claimed.

The attempted kidnap of M Charles Petit on Friday evening was a clumsy, ill-prepared affair, in contrast with the perfectly times and executed robbery of the casino at Deauville in June.

He was very nearly caught. He and his accomplice, their faces concealedby masks, called at the judge's flat and, when his daughter opened the door, she and Mme Petit were sprayed with tear fas and roughly beaten up.

The two men searched the flat then waited for the judge, who was held up at the law courts. His son appeared half an hour later, but was warned in time b his sister, and called the police.

When they turned up, there was some shooting, but M Mesrine managed to slip through their hands in the dark.

M Petit was the budge who sentenced him, last year to 20 years. In the Paris Match interview, the ganster claimed that he would fight for the suppression of the high security wings in french prisons, and shoot down judges if necessary to obtain it.

Police set up road block today in Normandy following reports that he had been seen in the area. But his accomplice who has been interrogated nonstop for the past 48 hours confessed that he often sought refuge in Britain, Luxembourg and Belgium.

OVERSEAS

S African dispute over information funds affects Namibia poll

From Eric Marsden
Johannesburg, Nov 13

The outcry over secret information funds has spilt over into the internal election in South-West Africa (Namibia) with allegations that South African government money was involved in the takeover six months ago of two of the territory's newspapers, the English-language *Windhoek Advertiser* and the German *Allgemeine Zeitung*. The allegations have been denied, but the dispute has become a feature of the campaign for the election, to be held on December 4.

Mr P. W. Botha, the Prime Minister, has publicly rebuked the Namibia National Front for sending a telegram to Mr R. F. Botha, the Foreign Minister, asking whether government money had been used directly or indirectly towards the acquisition of any newspaper in South-West Africa or in support of any political party or alliance.

The Front is not taking part in the election but is conducting a campaign urging voters not to take part in it and to await a United Nations sponsored poll. This is permitted under the election rules so long as there is no intimidation.

Mr Botha told the Namibia National Front that he strongly deprecated attempts "to drag the South African Government into party politics in South-West Africa to serve your own purposes".

The takeover has also been questioned by Aktur, a white-dominated party which is offering the only serious opposition to the multiracial Democratic Turnhelle Alliance in the election. Its leaders have repeatedly questioned the source of the ample funds the Turnhalle has used to fight the election.

The two newspapers were politically independent until April, when they were taken over in a flm deal by Dr Dieter Lauenstein, a West German publisher not previously known in South-West Africa. He has since moved his home to Windhoek.

Dr Lauenstein has denied receiving any money from the South African Government and insists that the takeover was financed from his own resources.

Both newspapers now strongly support the political line of the Turnhalle, which has the backing of the South African Government.

The *Windhoek Advertiser* is edited by Mr Leon Kok, who was formerly a reporter on the *Citizen*, the pro-Government newspaper in Johannesburg whose funding is one of the central issues of the dispute over secret funds of the disbanded Department of Information.

Mr Kok has declined to comment on allegations that South African information officials were involved in his appointment as editor. He was quoted at the weekend as saying that he was willing to give evidence to an inquiry commission if the takeover were to be questioned.

Mr Justice M. T. Steyn, the Administrator-General of the territory, said he had not asked the South African Government to appoint a commission, nor had he been approached in the matter.

Rhodesia voting delay part of Smith plan

From Nicholas Ashford
Salisbury, Nov 13

Rhodesia's ruling four-man Executive Council will try once again tomorrow to resolve the question of a date for majority-rule elections.

Bishop Abel Muzorewa, leader of the United African National Council (UANC), still believes that majority rule can be attained by December 31, as laid down in the March 3 agreement. He said at the weekend that any postponement of majority rule elections would reduce that agreement to a "total sham".

There can be little doubt that a postponement of the December 31 independence date would be a further blow to the transitional government's already threadbare credibility among Rhodesian blacks.

There seems little doubt, however, that the view of the other three Executive Council members—Mr Ian Smith, the Prime Minister, Chief Jeremiah Chirau and Dr Elliott Gabellah, standing in for the Rev Ndabaningo Sithole—that elections should be delayed until next year will prevail.

Although the deteriorating military situation would in itself make it impossible to hold a free and fair election now, one of the main arguments for a delay is based on a new Rhodesia strategy aimed at winning favour with the West, particularly the United States, in the hope of having sanctions lifted.

Last August the United States Congress laid down two conditions for the lifting of sanctions. One was that Rhodesia showed its willingness to attend an all-party conference, and the other was the holding of free elections overseen by impartial observers.

The Rhodesians say that they have now fulfilled the first condition with Mr Smith's announcement last month that the transitional Government would attend all-party talks without preconditions.

His acceptance (after months of rejection) was made in the belief, so far proved correct, that a fractious Patriotic Front would not agree to attend. Rhodesia's raids against guerrilla camps in Zambia and Mozambique also seem to have been designed partly to provoke a Patriotic Front rejection.

However, Mr Smith and his policy advisers believe that in order to continue projecting an impression of Rhodesian reasonableness an attempt must be made at a conference attended by Mr Joshua Nkomo and Mr Robert Mugabe, the guerrilla leaders. If it fails, as is likely, the Rhodesians would go ahead with elections around next May or June.

The significant point about Rhodesia's new strategy is that it is aimed at the United States rather than Britain.

Soldier is acquitted of Botswan killings

From Ray Kennedy
Johannesburg, Nov 13

A warrant officer of Botswana defence force acquitted today of the mur of Nicholas Love, aged 1 British tourist, and two S African game farm work Michael Arden and William Beer, after they were seize a Botswana army patrol.

There were jubilant sc in the Botswana High Cou Lobatse when Mr Robert fron-Benjamin, the Chief tice, announced the verdict

Warrant Officer Omp Tswaipe, aged 32, was li shoulder high by cheering clapping men and wo among the 300 who packed courtroom. He had pleaded guilty to three charges of der and was not called to evidence.

Earlier the South Af defence counsel, Mr Jack tarbaker, a state counse Johannesburg, had subm that the accused had no to answer.

Delivering his verdict, Justice Hayfron-Benjamin, is from Ghana, said the sant officer had faced "vously extreme charges", said the courts required standards of truth before victing and the prosecu led by Mr Phandu Skelem the Botswana Director of lic Prosecutions, had f seriously short of preser adequate proof of guilt.

The judge said that only testimony of one prosecu witness, Sergeant Mr Gabantese, had saved the ceedings from "degenera into broad farce bordering tragedy".

Six other soldiers, a serg and five privates, who members of the patrol w arrested the three white were ordered to be impris after they admitted that c nal statements they made false. They claimed they ordered to make them.

Sergeant Gabantese changed his testimony and accused by Mr Unterchalte being a "perjurer". The geant admitted under oath on April 5 he signed a statement concerning the ings, but changed his tor July to implicate the war officer.

The other five soldiers in court that all three wi were shot in the back tryin escape from a Botsw defence force vehicle w was taking them to an a base at Selibe-Pikwe.

Sergeant Gabantese told court that the statement made in July was the story of the killings. He the platoon was sent to up Mr Arden—the other whites had been held the vious day—and he found Arden wearing civilian clo He was detained and ord to put on a "uniform".

Halfway to the base can Selibe-Pikwe, Sergeant G tese said, Warrant Of Tswaipe ordered the veh to stop and the three whit get out. He began questi them and threatened to them if they did not sat torily answer why they been "terrorizing" peopl Botswana. The seargeant that when the answers f to please the warrant of he fired three shots, k one of the white men instar

Basque council meets as violence goes on

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, Nov 13

The Basque General Council, the "pre-autonomous" home-rule government, met today in San Sebastian to discuss proposals for a regional autonomy statute, while separatist violence continued throughout the Basque country.

A bomb blew up a guard shelter early today at a Civil Guard special forces barracks in San Sebastian, but caused no injuries. Yesterday morning a bomb containing 4lb of plastic explosive was discovered and defused by bomb disposal police at the San Sebastian offices of the Ministry of Education and Science.

An explosion in Pamplona late last night destroyed three cars and caused other damage, but no one was hurt. Yesterday afternoon a squad of urban guerrillas who said they were from the ETA (Basque Homeland and Liberty), consisting of two men and two women, blew up two toll collection booths on a motorway near Bilbao. They had ordered employees of the toll road at pistol point to move back to a safe distance.

Also that afternoon, three armed men forced their way into the control booth of the public address system at a stadium in Pamplona during a football match. They played a record in the Basque language over the loudspeakers.

Chirac show of moderation wins Giscard approval

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Nov 13

President Giscard d'Estaing received M Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist leader and Mayor of Paris, at the Elysée Palace this afternoon, within 24 hours of the Gaullists extraordinary party congress on the European elections.

The meeting certainly took place in a more positive atmosphere than seemed likely a few weeks ago when it was arranged. This was the result of M Chirac's own moderation and skill in persuading the congress to steer clear of the extreme positions advocated by some party diehards both on the elections issue itself, and on the Government's approach to it.

It was the fourth time the two had met privately since M Chirac ceased to be Prime Minister in August 1976. Their conversation had, officially at least, nothing to do with Europe or with politics, but with the less explosive if highly controversial problem of what to do with the site of Les Halles, the former Paris food market.

The President intends to keep a close eye on the problem, even though the state has after much interference handed back direct responsibility for it to the city. But the "hole" in the middle of what were Les Halles is symbolic of the embarrassing political position in which the Gaullist leader finds himself.

As one of those party diehards, who has no time for the truce which M Chirac has concluded with the Government some time ago, said privately yesterday: "Jacques Chirac has fallen into the hole of Les Halles and does not know how to get out of it."

The "hole" in the event is the direct election to the European Parliament, which M Chirac approved in December 1974 when he was Prime Minister. Caught between the Gaullist militants whose suspicion of the elections is enhanced by their visceral distrust of Giscardian liberalism and all its works, and the Gaullist parliamentarians who do not want a showdown with the Government, or a rout at the European polls, he succeeded in keeping his party together on a reasonably constructive if cautious endorsement of a confederal organization of Europe.

This is not so far removed from the ideas of President Giscard d'Estaing, as the Elysée Palace noted today.

The achievement was the more remarkable because the mood of the 1,200 militants attending the congress was hostile to conciliation and compromise on the elections issue.

Eanes pledge to Community on integration

From David Wood
Strasbourg, Nov 13

General Antonio Eanes, President of Portugal, was ceremonially welcomed today by the European parliament as the representative of one of the first countries in Mediterranean Europe awaiting admission.

Tomorrow he will be in London for meetings with Mr James Callaghan, the Prime Minister, and members of the British Government.

President Eanes said here that enlargement would reduce the disparities between the countries of Europe, though not without strain for the newcomers. He gave an assurance of the support of the Portuguese parliamentary majority.

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New Italian terror group shoots ex-jail doctor

Milan, Nov 13.—The recently-retired health director of Milan's main prison was shot in the legs in a street here today by a man and a woman who walked calmly away in full view of passers-by.

A previously unknown group, the Communist Attack Divisions, claimed responsibility for the shooting but gave no reason for the attack.

Police said Dr Mario Marchetti, 65, who retired a few days ago as medical chief of San Vittore prison, was wounded three times in the latest of more than 50 such leg-shooting attacks in Italy this year. After an operation he was reported to be in a state of shock.

Police said his attackers approached as he walked to his car in a Milan suburb.

The ambush came as authorities in Naples charged a man and a woman with the killing last Wednesday of a chief magistrate and his two bodyguards.

Police sources said the investigation of last week's killings was progressing speedily and that impootant links had been found between the latest wave of terrorist violence and the Red Brigades members charged with killing Signor Aldo Moro.

The charges were issued as police questioned Signor Paolo Ceriani Sebregondi, aged 1, of a prominent northern Italian family, wounded and captured by police at the southern town of Latina.

Documents found of Signor Sebregondi provided an important link between the latest wave of terror attacks and Red Brigades activities in northern and central Italy, police said.

Sources said evidence gathered so far pointed to the conclusion that the Red Britades team that assassinated Signor Moro later moved its headquarters to the supposedly safter southern city of Naples, and after a brief period of keeping a low profile had begun again to carry out terror attacks.—Reuter and UPI.

Mr Chip Carter separates from his wife

Washington, Nov 13.—Mr Chip Carter, the President's son, has separated from his wife, Caron, the White House announced today.

A spokesman said that Mrs Caron Carter was leaving for Georgia with their 20-month-old son, James Earl, while her husband, who is a consultant with the Democratic National Committee, would remain in the White House.

No reason was given for the separation, but the marriage has been under strain for some time.

The couple, who were married in June, 1973, had been living at the White House since the President took office in January, 1977. They returned to Georgia last year amid reports of marital difficulties, but returned after a few months to the White House.—Reuter.

President Kaunda fails to placate white farmers

From Laurence Pintak
Lusaka, Nov 13

There were more words of assurance for Zambia's white farmers today but still no indication of positive action by the Government to protect them from marauding bands of blacks believed to be Rhodesian nationalist guerrillas.

President Kaunda today broke his long silence on the matter to assure the farmers that they were needed by the country, but he told them they must wait for the Government to act and not take the law into their own hands.

Several farmers have been dragged from their homes in the past week and badly beaten—in one case bayonetted—by blacks they claim are members of Mr Joshua Nkomo's Zimbabwe African People's Union (Zapu).

Dr Kaunda said that country's police were in gating the attacks, but ins there was no evidence tha guerrillas were responsible

Yesterday the fa threatened to bring all i ing to a halt and even their fields if they were provided with protection. Zambian leader's exhort for them to give the Go ment time to act is not l to be greeted with enthusiasm.

In the past few weeks, ernment statements hive met by most whites and blacks with a scepticism his grown into flat disbel anything officials say.

For example, as Rhod bombs were falling just from the capital, party of were telling the nation President Kaunda had tained "peace and stabi

Tougher rules for oil tankers proposed

From Our Own Correspondent
Brussels, Nov 13

New measures to improve the safety of seaborne cargoes, particularly in congested areas like the North Sea and the Channel, have been proposed by the European Commission to help prevent a repetition of the Amoco Cadiz disaster.

One proposal is aimed at improving the qualifications of deep-sea pilots working in the North Sea and the Channel. Another would establish new rules to be observed by tankers of more than 1,600 gross registered tons.

The Commission also proposes that EEC member states should enforce mandatory procedures for the inspection of ships in Community ports.

Member states are urged to ensure that ships requesting the services of a pilot in the North Sea or the Channel should be provided with a pilot qualified by a competent authority.

The new rules for tankers would require them when leaving or entering Community ports to inform the port authorities of their movements. The nature of their cargo and any factors that might reduce normal, safe manoeuvrability.

When sailing in territorial waters close to a port, tankers would also be required to establish immediate radio-telephone contact with designated shore stations.

Semblance of normality in Tehra

From Tony Allaway
Tehran, Nov 13

If one ignores the troops, the workmen busy repairing burnt-out banks and shops, the firmly-bolted bazaar and the dearth of newspapers, it is just possible to say that a semblance of normality has returned to Tehran.

The city's maddening traffic jams have returned, always a sign of the city's "health" and an indication that the fear of a petrol shortage is over. Businesses are cautiously reopening, although few people have much money to spend.

Iran Air is apparently maintaining full schedules again, although the Opposition is muttering about the use of military pilots. The Army has even taken its tanks off the streets and cut down the infantry patrols to help give the city an air of freedom.

But few are fooled by the attempt. Despite heavy censorship of radio, television and the official new agency, news filters through daily of continuing violence in the provinces.

The official death toll from three days of rioting in the southern oilfield cities of Khorramshahr, Ahvaz and Abadan stands at 11 and opposition sources say it is much higher. Deaths and extensive damage have also been reported from many other towns.

The outward calm in Tehran has been helped by the sending-off of universities and the closure of schools. Everyone knows that the decisive confrontation is still to come. When is anybody's guess. Some opposition sources are talking of one or two weeks, others that it will happen in December, which coincides with the Muslim mourning month of Moharram.

They say that Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, the exiled religious leader, is considering not only if but when to call for an uprising, and that he has set Moharram as the deadline.

An opposition source who has just returned from talks in Paris with Ayatollah Khomeini said: "Khomeini is receiving daily reports from all over Iran and is greatly encouraged by them. He has said that the strikes must continue and no one must go back. For the moment that remains our weapon."

The strike situation remains confused. The Pars agency reports that the by oil workers has ende there is no independent c mation of this. Workers reportedly threatened with missal unless they ret today and their benefits gradually being reduced. military units have also sent in, possibly to ope some of the production. Accurate figures of how oil is leaving the countr still hard to come by.

In Tehran most tel munications appear to be to normal, indicating tha strike at least has ended employees at the Health, merce and Finance Mini are still out. In the latter it means civil servants wi be getting their salaries month.

Some foreign workers t to leave the country are trapped because they c obtain the all-important clearance permit.

Observers say the gr financial squeeze on str workers may be exactly the Government wants, h that money can do what cannot in ending the di tion.

Man killed as blast wrecks Paris flats block

Paris, Nov 13.—An explosion wrecked two floors of a block of flats in Paris today, killing a man and injuring a woman, rescue workers said.

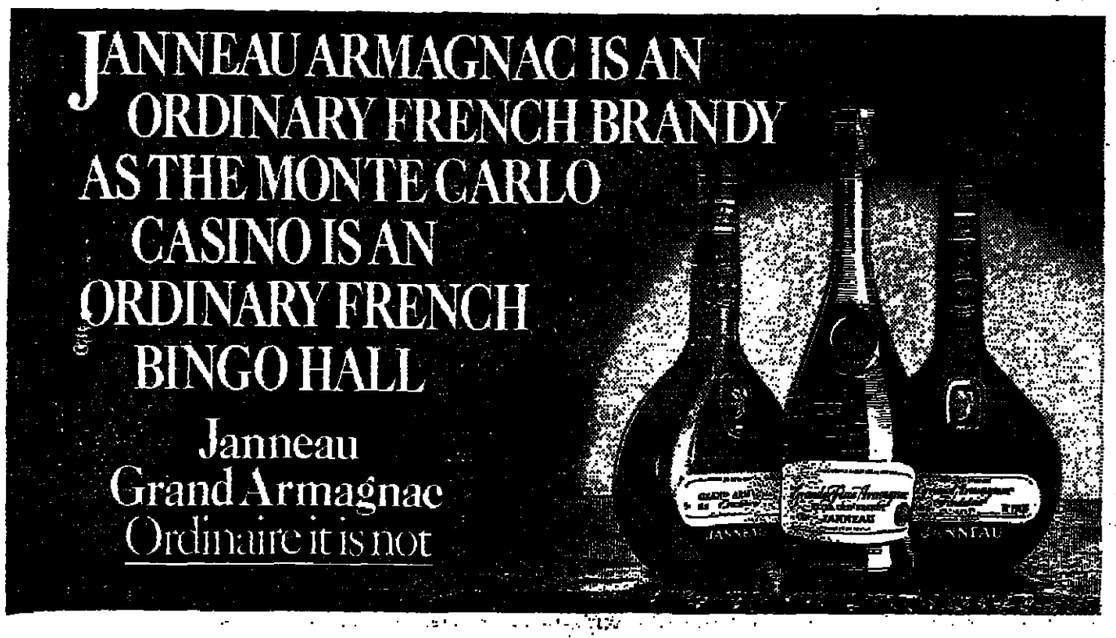
The cause of the explosion in the block in southern Paris was not immediately clear, although firemen suspect gas.

Witnesses said the explosion, which broke windows for hundreds of yards around, was followed by jets of flame. Firemen who sifted through the rubble afterwards said they were satisfied there were no other casualties.

The explosion, which occurred after most of the occupants had left for work, recalled a similar incident in a fashionable western area of the city early this year.

A series of gas explosions shook the area, destroying one block of flats. The final death toll was 12.

The identity of the dead man was not disclosed.



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Nov 13.—Tokyo dis- jailed two members anese Red Army, one- rs and the other for half years, for com- the hijacking of a lines (JAL) aircraft Korea in March, 1970.

Rangoon black market meets many consumer needs

Capitalism helps out Burma's creaking socialist economy

From Richard Wigg
Rangoon, Nov 13

Burma's ruling party once bravely set the country the goal of "building a socialist society based on affluence". Sixteen years after the left-wing and nationalist-minded military seized power, the 30 million Burmese continue, however, to live under the burdens of near zero economic growth and a crushing bureaucracy.

The poverty is, of course, relative; Burma's annual national income per capita at $140 (£70) is no less than $50 more than India's. While in Calcutta's city centre you regularly see an emaciated rickshaw man still transporting one, two, or even three fat businessmen, in Rangoon people go about either in little Japanese-made taxis or, if they live across the Irrawaddy, in the Burmese gondolas now invariably fitted with a Japanese outboard motor.

The overwhelming presence of Japan's sleek capitalism helping out Burma's creaking socialist-planned economy is everywhere; so obvious the Burmese no longer bother to point out the irony to visitors. Forty per cent of Burma's entire imports come from Asia's economic giant, and Japanese goods also figure prominently in the "parallel economy", as the black market is known.

Burma's proclaimed self-reliance would be unthinkable without the smugglers' sleight of hand helping the drifting official socialist economy to meet the ordinary citizen's modern consumer needs.

Officialdom turns a blind eye; opposite the forbidding old jail of British days one of Rangoon's most modern and garish black markets carries on daily, with the shopkeepers having their regular stalls, and even signboards, unhindered by the police.

As much of the country's economic activity is transacted on the black market as on the official economy, it is estimated, and goods imported by the smugglers, mostly via Thailand but also China, helped the authorities significantly keep prices steadier last year.

Colonel Tin Swe, the Industries Minister, recently admitted to Parliament what ordinary Burmese who patronize the black markets already know —that the state concerns have excessively high production costs for items like electric appliances and even pots and pans.

Contraband flourishes not only overland but along Burma's extensive coastline, though harassed by navy patrols. Last month two schooners were seized carrying items typical of those available on Rangoon's black market, though not in the state-run big stores, such as cassette tapes, biscuits, condensed milk, smarter footwear, playing cards, plastic goods, and motor car and bicycle spares.

Burma's provisional 1977-78 trading figures (the official ones) look like leaving a gap of about 450 kyats (some £35m) between imports and exports. Once again, the socialist economy has been faced by a serious foreign exchange shortage and all the state procuring organizations have had to scale down their "non-essential" imports, particularly consumer goods.

At the root of the problem lies a shortage of rice for export. Around 250,000 tons are likely to be available, compared to last year's more than 600,000. In the 1960s Burma, once the world's leading rice exporter, still had available annually some 1,500,000 tons.

U Maung Maung Kha, Burma's Prime Minister, told parliament last month even last year's apparently good performance hid a shortfall of some 50 million baskets in the 160 million baskets sales target by Burma's farmers to the state rice buying organization.

This explains why currently the regime and the party mass organizations are vigorously pressing the peasants to pledge their full quotas of rice to the state. Procurement prices, unchanged for two years, have made the peasants prefer to sell to private traders still, or, for an even better price, to siphon off something to sell to the smugglers.

Military rule officially ended in Burma in 1974, but the soldiers and sailors still continue in almost all the posts of economic command. The directors-general of all the *main state corporations are former* servicemen, so are many in the technical arms. With the lack of any good long-term performance, the rigid and unimaginative military mind has proved even worse for Burma than socialist theories.

Burma's way ahead, though the regime is determined it will be through state-run cooperatives, lies in higher yielding variety rice production. Here, the World Bank is already helping development projects in lower Burma, and through irrigation schemes bringing back areas of 20 years ago into production in the Irrawaddy delta.

The Burmese also want to develop the considerable fishing potential of their coastline, exporting items like prawns to Singapore and Japan, thus reducing their dependence on rice as foreign exchange earner.

But whatever the regime, the Burmese, victims of an artificial past prosperity which benefited above all the British colonialists and the Indian traders who flocked in, are unlikely to be hurried.

The World Bank has estimated Burma requires about £100m a year in foreign aid to provide for its long-term development. Capitalist Japan and and West Germany curiously supply most of today's aid—Bonn's annual figure to socialist Burma is around £14m, compared with Britain's £2.5m—but the United States is now also preparing to launch a capital aid programme for Rangoon.

Church speaks out against injustice in Chile

From Florencia Varas
Santiago, Nov 13

Grief, despair and insecurity mark the daily lives of thousands of Chileans and the country is rife with concealed violence and appalling injustices.

Those were the conclusions of a three-day seminar entitled "Considerations on True Peace", at which dignitaries of the Chilean Roman Catholic Church—among them, Cardinal Raul Silva Henriquez—former politicians, university professors and union leaders devoted themselves to the consideration, not of the dangers of a possible war with Argentina, but of the absence of peace among Chileans.

Last week the Chilean bishops expressed their concern for the lack of response from the Government as to the disappearance of hundreds of people after being arrested by the secret police during the four years of military rule.

In their statement they say: "We regret to say that we have come to the conviction that many—if not all—of those arrested have died, outside the law. We cannot remain silent since the commandment "thou shall not kill" continues to be the basis of civilization."

The wives and relatives of those who have disappeared went on a hunger strike early this year, and 15 of them chained themselves last week to the gates of the United Nations headquarters in Santiago, in order to call attention to their predicament. They also sent a note to Dr Kurt Waldheim, the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Border units under Amin command

From Our Correspondent
Nairobi, Nov 13

President Amin is now commanding military operations on the Uganda-Tanzania frontier, *Uganda radio announced* today. This follows a Tanzanian announcement that an offensive has been launched from the Tazanian side of the Kagera river, west of Lake Victoria, against the Ugandan forces who now occupy 710 square miles of Tanzanian territory.

The Ugandans claim to have beaten off one attempt to cross the river at the weekend, with heavy Tanzanian casualties.

Tanzania has rejected an Organization of African Unity (OAU) formula under which President Amin says he will withdraw his troops in return for an OAU guarantee that Uganda will not again be attacked from Tanzania.

President Amin says his troops occupied the Tanzanian territory in retaliation for Tanzanian incursions into Uganda although President Nyerere denies that Tanzanian troops have violated Ugandan territory.

President Sékou Touré of Guinea is the latest African leader to try to restore peace between the two East African states. President Amin today received his message from a Guinean delegation.

ɔtest vote likely in Brazil poll

ick Knight
, Nov 13

ficant protest vote is in Brazil's congres- ctions on Wednesday lectorate seeking more *radical change in the* f the country's affairs. for the opposition Democratic Movement campaigning under ndicaps, could set off l crisis. Politicians of onal Renewal Alliance the Government party, ng veiled threats that nuing proces of liberal- epends on Arena suc- the polls.

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pinion polls have shown decline in the ruling position, so that Presi- isel has been joining minee, General João Figueiredo, the Presi- t, in travelling the in search of votes. But Euler Bentes Monteiro, the MDB presidential candidate, appears almost to have withdrawn from the fight and has made few speeches.

The reasons for this are rooted in Brazil's recent history. *Since the two political* parties were created by decree 10 years ago, more than 100 MPs have been dismissed for speaking out on subjects such as torture, economic mismanagement, the armed forces.

Those who remain in opposition and who are fighting the elections now are mostly men who play the game according to the Government's rules. The MDB is tolerated as long as it does not go too far; so today, the last things that many of its leaders want are power and responsibility.

The electorate, however, appears to want the fruits of Brazil's wealth accumulated in the past 10 years distributed more evenly and is treating the MDB as the alternative government.

The party's candidates will get much of their support from the middle class, notably the young whose prospects are inferior to those of their parents and who consider the system of patronage to be largely to blame.

Organized labour, which is beginning to flex its muscles, will reluctantly support some MDB candidates who, union leaders hope, will later form the nucleus of a socialist party.

But the great mass of the Brazilian working class, and the "marginals"—the 30 per cent still virtually outside the economic system and still struggling to make a living on the edges of the big cities, or in the interior—are easy fodder for the traditional Arena politicians.

Although no television propaganda is allowed in the election campaign, Arena candidates are somehow seen on the screen every night, as the official inaugurations of civil works projects reach a crescendo.

Neither party gives financial aid to candidates, who stand for each state as a whole rather than for a constituency.

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Doctors clear cosmonauts

Moscow, Nov 13.—Colonel Vladimir Kovalyonok and Mr Alexander Ivanchenkov, the two Soviet cosmonauts who stayed in space for a record 140 days, today received permission from doctors to leave Baikonur cosmodrome, the space centre in central Asia, after 10 days of intensive medical checks.

They were officially reported to have readjusted to gravity and to have emerged successfully from the most acute period of readaptation to life on earth.—Reuter.

ɔnks of Mount Athos abstain from the motor car

Mario Modiano
Nov 13

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has now been stopped. n tourists are admitted rate of 10 daily on resi- permits valid for only days. There is no quota thodox pilgrims, but their ts are for only six days.

truth is that travelling tions in Mount Athos re- primitive. One of the fathers of Orthodox sticism had ruled that s should "go on foot, in dion of Christ". But in of need, "let your beasts e foal of an ass".

r over one millenium, the monks of the Mountain had observed that rule, plodding along the cobbled pathways that link the 20 monasteries and their dependencies, scattered as they are over this rugged peninsula which is 31 miles long and between three and six miles wide.

Things have changed in the past 15 years. The local mule population declined sharply. This caused difficulties in the exploitation of the forests which are the main source of revenue for most monasteries. So some of them imported lorries to transport timber from the forests to the sea for shipment.

The first motor road proper was built at the time of the 1,000th anniversary of Mount Athos in 1963, between the eastern port of Daphni and the capital Karyes, so that royalty and other dignitaries attending the celebrations might travel in comfort.

During the military dictatorship, pressure was put on the Holy Community to agree that Mount Athos should be linked to the national highway network for the benefit of tourism. The monks resisted and the plan was dropped.

Gradually, however, the yearning for convenience prevailed. Forest roads were extended and vehicles were used more for the conveyance of monks than for the transportation of the wood. There are today about 40 vehicles on Mount Athos, including agricultural tractors.

The issue deeply divided the monks. Last August, the Grand Double Council, the community's highest legislative body, met to vote on a motion to ban road-building as well as motor traffic outside forest roads. The motion was approved by 12 monasteries but rejected by seven.

The minority, however, felt so strongly about it that its representatives refused to countersign the records. The decree, therefore, could not take effect. It was not until earlier this month that the recalcitrant monks were induced to desist and the ban is now in force.

The strongest opposition to the invasion of motor traffic came, significantly, from the *younger and better educated* monks.

Not without reason. Some of them came from Meteora, a group of ancient monasteries in central Greece which recently became very popular with foreign tourists. The monasteries are perched high on perpendicular rocks formed by some geological oddity, and were for centuries inaccessible. In fact, in the old days the monks were hoisted up by windlass as they squatted in nets.

Now the Meteora has been linked with the national road network and steps were hewn out of the rocks. The site was promptly put on the itineraries of travel agencies. The monks fled.

The Greek Government is taking no sides in this dispute. Its representative, the Governor of Mount Athos who is appointed by the Foreign Ministry in order to underline the independence of the community, is Mr Demetrios Tsamis, a professor of theology at Solinka University. He told me that some of the monasteries claimed the question of roads was for them a question of survival.

"The monasteries situated along the east coast", he explained, "have serious problems with provisioning and communi*cations as boat services are suspended* in the winter.

There were other practical problems. The monastery of the Grand Lavra, for instance, near the southern tip of the peninsula, was between seven and eight hours walking distance from Karyes which is the only place with a doctor

Social Focus

A testing time for education theorists

Why is the Secretary of State for Education so dogmatically opposed to the notion that all school children should be tested for attainment at certain fixed points during their school life? By and large, the Government has had to respond to pressure for greater emphasis on academic standards; but on this point Mrs Williams seems reluctant even to consider the arguments, let alone accept them.

Thus the green paper, *Education in Schools* (Cmnd 6869, July, 1977) rejected the notion of universal national tests of basic literacy and numeracy. The reasons given were that: "Because of the differing abilities and rates of development of children of school age, tests pitched at a single level could be irrelevant for some and beyond the reach of others. Moreover, the temptation for schools to coach for such tests would risk distorting the curriculum. . . ." Then in her introduction to the conference on comprehensive education at York in December, 1977, Mrs Williams said: "There are great dangers in the concept of testing for everybody. The Assessment of Performance Unit's study of the American experience of testing all children on all subjects makes depressing reading—to take one sentence from it, 'much bitterness and hostility was kindled among the teaching force in Michigan when the state educational authorities were pressured by politicians into releasing achievement test results for individual schools, having *previously assured the teachers* concerned that the test results would be confidential to local administrators'."

Neither of these two statements is wholly convincing. If pitching tests at a certain level is irrelevant for some and beyond the reach of others when it comes to blanket testing, how can it be acceptable for sample testing, of which the APU and the Secretary of State approve? And is coaching for the attainment of minimum levels of literacy and numeracy really such a bad thing?

Moreover, Mrs Williams's treatment of the Michigan experience is partial, to put it mildly. True, there were considerable problems, and of course a breach of faith cannot be justified. But the APU report also reveals that 63 per cent of Michigan teachers sampled in a survey "found it helpful for their understanding of their children that all, rather than only some, of the students were tested". Only 33 per cent thought that the state should discontinue its testing programmes.

The flavour of the American approach to blanket testing is, however, somewhat different from that which I would advocate. In America there has been a stress on "accountability"—on a tougher attitude to assessing the performance of educators than most people would accept in Britain.

I have always put the stress on the diagnostic. The comparison that seems broadly valid is with school medical inspections, where the aim has been to gather both national and local statistics but also to look at the condition of the indvidual child at certain points in his development.

What has to be stressed is that testing would not be a selection tool, or backstairs way of reintroducing the eleven-plus; nor would it be a test of *potential*, as opposed to actual attainment. Rather it would be one way (and *only* one way) of finding what is going right and what is not going right with national and local education and with the child itself.

In no way would it be a way of penalizing the incompetent. Primarily it would be used to direct resources and special attention where the need for them becomes apparent. For it has to be admitted — with informal methods in particular — that poor attainment and unfilled potential are not always spotted as surely as they should be.

So much for the case in principle; but what about the practicalities? Here my plea is not that a firm commitment to universal testing should now be given, but simply that the case for it should be considered more seriously and more objectively than has so far been the case. There are three particular problems to be tackled: resources, the feasibility of designing and administering worthwhile tests, and the question of whether results should be published.

As to resources, I would accept that the testing of every child at three points in his school career—say, 8, 11 and 14—is not something that could be brought in overnight. Nor have I been able to make an assessment of the cost. But it is interesting that a number of local education authorities are themselves beginning to bring in universal testing. According to a report in *New Society* (October 12), in the last year or so, Birmingham, Cleveland and Lancashire have done so. Lancashire's chief education officer was quoted as saying: "We are getting schools we thought similar, in similar areas of social mix, coming our different. It may be that, in itself, doesn't give you an answer, but it does alert you to something which we'll then investigate jointly with teaching staff and advisors."

Clearly, then, blanket testing is not out of the question; but if it is being done in individual authorities is there not a case for measuring attainment against national standards?

The green paper, in talking of sample tests, said that "greater consistency of practice can only be beneficial". And the Secretary of State would not enter the business of determining *how* standards of literacy and numeracy should be achieved. Her concern would be with the *effect* of education—a task clearly laid on her by Section 1 of the 1944 Act.

But can effective tests be designed and administered? I am not an expert; but the fact is that tests are being used and administered on a wide scale, and judgments are being made on their results. Of course, resources are scarce at present; but let us at least establish the feasibility of testing if resources improve or the case for testing is found strong enough to give it priority over other activities.

The last question—whether results should be be published — is the the trickiest. On the one hand, I do not want testing to be the vehicle for witch-hunting or over-simplified judgments about particular schools. On the other, one's natural instinct is in favour of openness, and it may anyway be difficult to keep results secret while using them effectively. On balance, I favour making the information available: but this is a problem that should be discussed rationally, rather than made the basis of intransigent positions. So will the Secretary of State now please launch discussions?

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A little cooperation goes a long way

To express an interest in workers' cooperatives, commercial enterprises which are owned and controlled by their workforce, generally results in a stare of blank incomprehension in the circles in which I move. It is not that my friends are politically unaware; inveighing against the trade unions is quite acceptable as is inveighing against the capitalist ethic with special reference to the multinationals. But workers' cooperatives are just a non-issue.

Before changing the topic of conversation, the more sophisticated are prepared to point out that an idea which has been in circulation for over *a century and had so little effect* can hardly have much in it. Alternatively they may say: "Good lord, you don't want to waste more government money on Meridens and Kirbys, do you?"

The answer to the latter question is probably no. But there are already one hundred or so workers' cooperatives in Britain operating profitably without government support, ranging from medium sized to tiny. In some countries workers' cooperatives are a significant economic force contributing between 10 and 20 per cent of national industrial output.

This demonstrates that the idea is workable. And the idea itself is very appealing. If the workforce owns and controls the enterprise there is little reason to strike or indulge in restrictive practices which will reduce the profits all are going to share. Equally, there is no opportunity for capitalist owners to exploit labour, since the owners are the workers.

During the last week in October *the first world conference on industrial* cooperation and development was held in Rome. It was attended by some 400 people from 37 different countries. Both the fact that it was organized at all and the level of attendance indicate that a strong revival of interest in the idea of workers' cooperatives is taking place internationally. This is primarily because it seems to offer an alternative economic structure at a time when the shortcomings of both capitalism and centrally planned state control are being all too clearly perceived.

The conference was organized by the Workers' Productive Committee of the International Cooperative Alliance. The members of this committee represent national associations of workers' cooperatives. There are three such associations in Italy, each with a different party political allegiance, and it is they who were mainly responsible for running the conference.

The Cooperative Production Federation of Great Britain, founded in 1882, *would qualify for a seat on the inter*national committee but, with only 17 member cooperatives left and no full-time staff, it has long been missing from the international forum.

However, the news that the British Government had recently established a Co-operative Development Agency (yet another quango, I'm afraid) and the presence at the conference of Lord Oram, its chairman, was greeted by the committee with an enthusiasm which was both surprising and moving. Co-operators are conscious of their history and well aware that the co-operative movement was begun in Britain in the 1840s by the Rochdale Pioneers. While the idea of workers' co-operatives has been taken up with much greater success elsewhere in the world, it was clearly a source of real pleasure that Britain was again beginning to take an interest.

In fact, our virtual absence from the field for so long a period could prove a major advantage as far as relaunching workers' co-operatives in Britain goes. We have no old-established practices or institutions to hang like millstones round our necks. At the same time, we can take advantage of the large experience that has now been gained abroad of what to do and what not to do. If we are clever about it, we should be able to pick the best features out of the various systems and put together a new system that improves on all of them.

By the word "system" I mean several things: the best form of internal democratic organization for a co-operative, the best form of financial institutions to support a national movement, the best form of co-operative law (or lack of it), the most equitable taxation arrangements, and the best form of federation or association of co-operatives both to represent their joint interests and ensure that they help each other to survive.

The industrialized countries represented at the conference fell essentially into two groups, those with a strong and long established workers' co-operative sector and those who had recently realized the interest of trying to achieve such a sector. Prominent in the first category were France, Italy, Poland, Denmark and Hungary. The British belonged in the second, along with the United States and Sweden, among others. The Swedes have established a royal commission to investigate the possibilities which is due to report in 1980; "I think we may follow the example of your CDA", said its chairman, "but we must also have some sort of development fund. Financing seems to be the central problem."

Among the formal conference papers, the two which had the most to offer from Britain's point of view came from Italy (R. Prodi) and Poland (B. Trampczynski and R. Bierzanek). Both contain most valuable information on how to *give workers' co-opera*tives the best chance of success. The importance of the Polish paper underlines the curious way in which the co-operative movement provides a meeting point between East and West: there are, of course, differences between the ways co-operatives work in a centrally planned as opposed to a market economy. But there are more similarities than differences.

In fact, out of all the well established national systems of eastern or western Europe it is the Danish system which is most out of line with the others. Elsewhere workers' co-operatives are quite strictly owned and controlled by the workforce: in Denmark a share (though not a preponderant one) in both ownership and control is allowed to trade unions, consumer bodies and government agencies.

The aim is a rational one: to ensure that workers' co-operatives are *run in the interests of the community* as a whole and not solely in the interests of the worker-owners.

Among the numerous participants there were several with concrete experience of a co-operative solution to major social and economic problems faced by our society. Particularly significant from the point of view of the British economy were those who had successfully converted a bankrupt capitalist enterprise into a profitable workers' co-operative. I met the managing directors of two such co-operatives, one from Italy and one from France. Significantly, both stressed the crucial role of trade union collaboration in the conversion.

Then there was an interesting representation of the environmentalist "alternative society" faction. In Britain the whole food producers and retailers along with a number of "communes", have already found that registration under the Industrial Common Ownership Act is the most suitable method of obtaining a legal identity. The same has apparently happened in the USA, while a Swiss-based operation, the Emergency Fund for European Mountain Areas, is helping to finance co-operatives of young unemployed people in depopulated rural areas linking agricultural production to small scale agricultural processing.

Other co-operative initiatives have been organized to tackle the problems of refugees, the disabled, minority racial groups, inner city unemployment and working opportunities for women.

There is nothing particularly wonderful about what co-operatives can offer in these problem areas, except that a co-operative is essentially a self-help organization and thus perhaps a more dignified solution than the straight acceptance of charity. The self-help element involved also means, from the donor's point of view, that financing a co-operative is a cheaper way of helping resolve problems.

Before signing off I should declare my interest. I was not an official delegate to the conference, but I am a member of Britain's new Co-operative Development Agency.

Geraldine Norman

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Football

Appeal leads to Brady suspension being reduced to two matches

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent

Liam Brady, the young Irish midfield player who was suspended from three Uefa Cup matches after being sent off in a second round game with Hajduk Split, of Yugoslavia at Highbury in the week before last, yesterday had the ban reduced to two after appeal.

Because of this reduction Brady will be able to play if Arsenal qualify for the quarter-final round by beating Red Star, Belgrade in the third round on November 22 and December 6. This will be welcomed by Arsenal for whom Brady has played so well this season. They felt that the original suspension was excessive, claiming that Brady had been under severe provocation from some of the Hajduk Split players.

The club's chairman, Denis Hill-Wood, the secretary, Ken Friar, and a director, Tony Wood, went to Zurich yesterday to make their appeal to the European Football Federation's (Uefa) disciplinary committee. It is believed that they submitted statements from spectators. Brady himself did not appear. Another player sent off in the third round, Owen, of Manchester City, who was suspended for five matches, did not appeal and Mariner, of Ipswich Town, is still waiting to be notified of his punishment, also for being sent off.

On a more domestic issue of discipline, Birmingham City's manager, Jim Smith, will not take action against his Argentine player, Tarantini, who was said to have been involved when a Manchester United player, Brian Greenhoff, was knocked out on Saturday. Mr Smith said that although he had warned Tarantini not to allow himself to be intimidated or to retaliate, he had an eye witness account from a police superintendent to support Tarantini's view that he did not deliberately touch Greenhoff.

Suggestions at the weekend, primarily voiced by supporters on the terraces, that Wolverhampton Wanderers should appoint Derek Dougan, a former Wolves player, as successor to Sammy Chung as manager, had no immediate effect on the chairman, Harold Marshall, who said if Mr Dougan cared to apply his application would receive the same scrutiny as any other.

Mr Marshall said: "Once Sammy Chung had left I knew the fans would be on my back as they were after we lost on Saturday. But this club is more important than the spectators or me or my directors. It will be another 10 days before we are able to collate a short list." Mr Dougan retired as chairman of the Professional Footballers' Association at yesterday's annual meeting.

Mr Marshall said that the player Daley, who had threatened to ask for a transfer because of Mr Chung's dismissal, had not made the request in writing. Daley said yesterday that he would wait until a new manager was appointed before making his formal application. Brian Clough the Nottingham Forest manager, has made an approach for Daley but, having been told to wait until a new manager arrived at Wolverhampton, said he was ready to reopen negotiations.

Ipswich Town's chairman, Patrick Cobbold, said yesterday that there was no question of the manager, Bobby Robson, being removed despite the poor form of the team since they won the FA Cup last season. Mr Cobbold was commenting on remarks made by Mr Robson after Ipswich lost to West Bromwich Albion on Saturday. Mr Robson had said that if at the end of the season he felt he could no longer motivate the players he would resign.

Mr Cobbold said: "I am sure Bobby was speaking in the heat of the moment. We had a little chat afterwards but there was no mention of resignation. Obviously there is some cause for concern at the moment because of recent results but we are not panicking. We are 100 per cent behind Bobby Robson and as far as I am concerned he can stay here for life."

A manager who might be persuaded to leave his present club is Lawrie McMenemy, of Southampton, who must be tempted to apply for the vacant position at Sunderland in his native north-east. However, yesterday he preferred to think of tonight's Football League Cup fourth round replay against Reading at the Dell. Victory would give Southampton a home tie with Manchester City and the possibility of the club reaching Wembley for the second time in three years. In 1976 they won the FA Cup.

Neither Southampton nor Reading have injury problems. Southampton's captain, Ball, has recovered from a knee injury but there is some uncertainty about the players Mr McMenemy may choose in the forward line. Reading's manager, Maurice Evans, said: "We so nearly beat them last week. Their goalkeeper kept them alive with some fantastic saves.



Brady (left) . . . Arsenal's midfield prompter and Owen, a bundle of energy for Manchester City.

Rugby Union

England need Cotton tested or otherwise

By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent

Fran Cotton, the British Lions tight head prop who has been troubled this season first by a strained achilles tendon and then by a pulled calf muscle, should know by tomorrow evening whether he will be fit to resume playing this weekend and, by so doing, put himself firmly in line for his rightful place in the England side against New Zealand on Saturday week.

His formidable presence at Twickenham may mean so much to his country's aspirations that the selectors might still choose him even if he missed this Saturday's game, and then managed to get one in sometime next week. He has started to jog around the park again, and he feels that by maintaining regular training with weights he has kept himself in strong shape.

This cornerstone of England's pack spent last Saturday afternoon glued to his television screen and absorbing, with undoubted relish, the way in which the Welsh forwards set about their New Zealand opponents. He has always enjoyed playing against the All Blacks, and he will be a most disappointed man if he cannot have another crack at them in the international. "If he doesn't", his wife said yesterday, "he'll be like a bear with a sore head."

If one believes that in some areas the performance of an England XV against Argentina was simply too bad to be true, then a good deal of what happened between Wales and New Zealand ought to give England comfort and hope. Provided they can field their strongest pack—and the selectors can get the mixture right—there seems no reason why the forwards should not aspire to do at least as well as the Welsh. This certainly should apply to the scrummaging.

However, if Cotton cannot play, the retirement of Michael Burton has left England bereft of tight-head props of proven international calibre. There might be a chance, then, for the mobile young Gosforth player, Jeffrey Bell, or Andy Cutter, the Harlequin who played for London Counties against the All Blacks. Cutter is a solid scrummager. So is William Dickinson, of Richmond, who has been picked for the Midlands against the All Blacks at Leicester on Saturday. Terry Pryor, a Cornishman, toured Romania with England B, but is on the small side.

The selectors will be choosing their England side next Sunday, which will enable them to appraise the form of Nigel Horton for the Midlands, and to decide whether he or Maurice Colclough will play at lock with Bill Beaumont.

Tomorrow they will be watching the South and South-west play the All Blacks in Bristol and hoping, no doubt, to run their rule over Alastair Hignell at full back. But he has had another frustrating set-back at a critical time—on this occasion a knock on the knee—and he was said yesterday still to be a doubtful starter.

This is not the only anxiety for the home side's selectors, because almost half their appointed back division seems to be in the wars. Alan Morley, the wing, and John Palmer, the stand-off, suffered leg injuries in last Saturday's county matches. Michael Beese, the captain and centre, has a hamstring problem. Peter Butler, who might be needed as replacement at full back, has some fluid on a knee.

David Caplan, England's full-back for the last two internationals, has also been out of action a good deal this season because of an injured wrist and then two weeks ago a fractured rib. He will play again on Sunday in the match between Headingley Past and Present and the Anti-Assassins. Marcus Rose, the Durham University full back, who surely will win a cap one day, was thought to have suffered a dislocated shoulder the other day but this was not the case and I believe he is hopeful of taking his place as a Midlands' reserve on Saturday. One way and another, the national selectors cannot feel that England this last year or two have been blessed by the best of luck with injuries.

The All Blacks will be reinforced tomorrow by the arrival from Christchurch of Richard Wilson, a replacement full back for Clive Currie, who was put out of the tour with a broken jaw in the Welsh international. Six of the successful New Zealand side last Saturday, have been selected for tomorrow's game. Mark Donaldson still rests his ankle injury, so David Loveridge, who did well when winning a first cap in Cardiff, has to play again, in spite of a slight hamstring strain. Brian McKechnie, cast in a hero's mould last Saturday, also gets another game. He has been limping with bruised toes on his right foot, but is confident of being fit. The pack gets welcome reinforcement in the return of Gary Knight, the leading tight head prop, out of action with a facial skin rash since the defeat in Munster.

Motor racing

Agostini and Sheene meeting on four wheels

By John Blunsden

At a time when it has never been more difficult for a promising new driver to break into the world championship Grand Prix scene, Britain's Aurora AFX Formula One championship, which was introduced a year ago as an alternative series, will graduate into a major international series next year.

Three of the 15 rounds of the 1979 championship will take place on the Continent—at Zolder, Belgium, where the series will start on April 1, at Zandvoort, in the Netherlands, and at Nogaro, in France, while four more European countries—Germany, Italy, Sweden and Spain—have asked to be considered for future rounds of the championship. A similar request has also been received by Motor Circuit Developments, the promoters of the series, from the United States. With this level of international interest, the championship is assured of a bright future.

The success of this "second division" of Formula One racing, which is to be sponsored by the distributors of the Aurora table-top motor racing models, for at least two more years, has been secured to a considerable extent by the ultra-competitiveness of Grand Prix racing. Today, it is unusual for a world championship Formula One car to remain competitive for more than one season, and consequently there is now an assured supply of good quality machinery for the Aurora series.

There is also the promise next year of a renewal of the two-wheeled battle between former motorcycle world champions Barry Sheene and Giacomo Agostini. Agostini, with 15 world titles to his credit, turned to four wheels this year and entered Formula Two racing. But Sheene, who took the 500cc title from him in 1976, has persuaded him to transfer to the Aurora Formula One series. The Italian will have the choice of the two Williams Grand Prix cars which the Australian driver, Alan Jones, has driven so effectively in world championship events this year. Sheene still has sponsorship details to finalize before his own Formula One programme can be announced, but it is expected that he will drive an Arrows in the eight races which do not conflict with his 1979 motorcycle racing programme.

Today's football

LEAGUE CUP: Fourth round replay Southampton v Reading (7.30).

THIRD DIVISION: Plymouth v Peterborough (7.30).

OTHER MATCH: Bristol City v Moscow Dynamo (7.30).

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier Division Hastings v Dorchester (7.30). First Division South: Poole v Minehead (7.30). Cup: Third round: Andover v Weymouth (7.30). Atherstone v Banbury (7.30): Dartford v Cambridge City (7.30): Milton Keynes v Worcester (7.30).

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Runcorn v South Liverpool (7.30).

RUGBY UNION: Club match: Swansea v Llanelli (7.0).

RUGBY LEAGUE: Tour match: York v Australians (7.30). Floodlit Competition: Second round: Wigan v Hunslet (7.30).

Cricket

Brearley 100 can hea an ailing England

From John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
Melbourne, Nov 13

The first English hundred of this Australian tour was made by Brearley here today. Out of a total of 241 for eight declared the captain scored 116 not out, a slow and tortuous, but with luck a healing innings. With England batting on for most of the four hours' play that was possible, the match inevitably petered out.

On a pitch of appalling slowness Brearley batted for just over seven hours. He had played 50 first-class innings, in England, Pakistan and Australia, since making his last hundred, for Middlesex against Gloucestershire at Lord's on July 21, 1977. Patience was of paramount importance for someone intent upon survival, and Brearley has plenty of that. What he lacks is the strength or, at the moment, the confidence to overcome such repressive conditions.

While Brearley was concentrating solely upon playing the long innings he needed, others came and went. Today Radley was caught and bowled, trying to drive at the leg spin of Higgs and getting rather tucked up while he was about it; Tolchard and Edmonds were also out to Higgs, Tolchard caught at slip as he made to drive, and Edmonds at extra cover aiming for the open spaces behind the bowler. With an eye on one of the Test batting places Tolchard will be kicking himself for this.

There are now only two first class matches left before the first Test match, starting in Brisbane on December first, and from all accounts the weather will need to cheer up in Sydney, too if the match against New South Wales later this week is to be much more satisfactory than the one just finished against Victoria. In the old days there were never fewer than six first class matches before the first Test; now there are only four, and when these are disrupted by rain there comes an urgent need of practice.

Play started today after There had been more heavy night rain and had Brearl been keen to get his side i middle it would probably nc started at all. The huge was deserted, the wind wa the skies were grey and, hours only one batsman, with five minutes left, to bang the ball through th wet grass for four. The Old's cover drives, and Br pulled up short, far away ourback.

So, tomorrow, the team on to Canberra, for a game on Wednesday, w threat of a national strike as a further compl It is pleasing to have B with a hundred in the fir ever hard he had to strug it, and Randall has got som and Edmonds and Emburey fair form, and Gower did Adelaide. But there is still to do before the series beg time is running short in w do it.

VICTORIA: First innings, 25 Moss, 75, P. H. Edmonds 3, J. E. Emburey 3 for 36).

Second Innings

J. M. Wiener, not out ...
P. A. Hibbert, Not out ...
Extras (nb 3) ...

Total (no wicket) ...

BOWLING: Lever, 1—0—8; Hendrick, 5—0—14—1; Edmonds, 7—0—Randall, 2—0—9—0, 1—0—1—0.

ENGLAND

First Innings

J. M. Brearley, not out ...
G. A. Gooch, b Hurst ...
D. W. Randall, b Wiener ...
P. H. Edmonds, c and b Wiener ...
G. T. Radley, c and b Higgs ...
I. T. Tolchard, c Whatmore b Higgs ...
P. H. Edmonds, c Malone, b R ...
C. M. Old, c Maddocks, b Hur ...
J. E. Emburey, c Higgs, b Lang ...
Extras (lb 2, w 2, nb 8) ...

Total (8 wkts, dec) ...

J. K. Lever, M. Hendrick bat...

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—7, 2—16, 3—105, 4—190, 5—190, 6—225, 7—230, 8—241.

BOWLING: Hurst, 17—4—Gallen, 16—3—41—0; Higgs, 22—5—Laughlin, 15—5—Wiener, 15—3—51—2; Watson, —0—

Yorkshire meeting still o

Yorkshire Cricket Club will go ahead with the special general meeting at Harrogate, on December 2, to discuss the dismissal of Geoffrey Boycott, the captain. But in the High Court in Liverpool yesterday, a group of members who call themselves the Yorkshire County Cricket Club Members Reform Group, obtained backing for a further meeting to discuss resolutions concerning the Yorkshire cricket committee, which dismissed Boycott.

The judge ordered Arthur Connell, the Yorkshire chairman, to use his best endeav summon, by November meeting to consider these tions. Yorkshire are con an appeal against this.

The reform group issued ment last week, saying t object of the legal proc was to ensure that the Y committee abided by th rules. The group claime Yorkshire club officer omitted their resolutions c ing the cricket sub-committ instead, proposed to intro vote of confidence in the committee.

Victory for the Rest

Wanganui, New Zealand, Nov 13—A Rest-of-theWorld XI beat an Australian XI by 25 runs in a 30-over cricket match here today, the third game in the Packer tour of New Zealand's north island.

SCORES: Rest-of-the-World XI, 130 for 7 (B. Richards 51); Australian XI, 124 (R. Marsh 45; R. Hadlee 3 for 31).

South African join Lancashire staff

Lancashire have signed year-old South African bowler, Paul Robinson—b search for a replacement f West Indian Colin Croft s on.

Strong public support for Wembley match

England's football revival under Ron Greenwood has caught the public's imagination. More than 60,000 tickets have been sold for the friendly match against the European champions, Czechoslovakia, on November 29, and a Wembley spokesman, Len Went, said: "It looks like being a sell-out".

England have beaten Denmark 4—3 and drawn 1—1 with the Republic of Ireland in away Nations Cup ties this season, and are well placed to reach the quarter final round.

Chelsea's offer just the ticket for creditors

Chelsea could clear another £220,000 from their original debts of £3.6m before Christmas if proposals, recommended by a Committee of Inspection, are accepted. Creditors are to be offered 20p in the £ in "full and final settlement" of their claim against the club, or an unsecured loan note equal to the remaining balance of their debt. This would be payable over an eight-year period by annual instalments of 10p in the pound. Two payments of 10p in the pound have already been made.

Chelsea chief executive, Martin Spencer, expects most creditors to opt for the first alternative—especially as they would receive two complimentary season tickets for next season.

There are 110 creditors concerned in the deal. Fifty of them are owed less than £250 and they will be paid in full immediately.

The news is further proof that Chelsea are winning their battle to stay in business. It will leave only two main creditors. Barclays Bank are owed just under two million and the builders, G. J. French, are waiting for £440,000.

Pictorial evidence shows that referee was correct

By Peter Walker

Wales are still contemplating the theory that Saturday's international match against New Zealand seems to have been decided by a piece of All Blacks skullduggery. Indeed no one can recall the last time that Wales led another country by nine points and finished on the losing side. The argument over the lineout incident which decided the match 90 seconds from full time is already well on its way to joining the legendary Bob Deans disputed score in 1905, won by Wales through a Teddy Morgan try by three points to nil. In the eyes of often "one-eyed" Welsh supporters close examination of Saturday's telerecording still leaves the issue blurred and unresolved.

There can be no doubt that Wheel, standing at No 3 in the lineout, put his left forearm on Oliver's shoulder as he leapt to take Windsor's throw in. But the slow motion replay also reveals that at the same time Oliver made a half-turn back towards his line and stepped across the "no-go" area between the two sets of forwards and, this is crucial, made no effort to challenge for the ball. Wheel palmed the ball with his outside hand down towards the Welsh scrum half Holmes and the protective placement of his left forearm suggests a downward pressure on Oliver.

This was the offence that the Sussex referee, Roger Quittenton, perfectly positioned at the front of the lineout on the Welsh side, penalized. He made no allowance for the movement across the line to impede Wheel by Oliver, nor his non-attempt to win the ball. What immediately followed the put-in would be comical if it were not so fraught with post-match accusations of gamesmanship and even foul practice.

This has been made by the former Welsh captain, Clem Thomas, now the rugby correspondent of *The Observer* and a member of the last Welsh side to beat the All Blacks, 25 years ago.

Hockey

Operation Moscow starts in Lahore

By Sydney Friskin

Sixteen hockey players representing Britain leave London by air today for Pakistan on the first part of a long journey which, they hope, will eventually land them in Moscow for the 1980 Olympic Games. The event in Pakistan is the Champions Trophy tournament which starts at Lahore on Friday.

The next phase of Operation Moscow will be the ten-nations tournament at Perth (Australia) in April next year. This event will follow Britain's participation in the international festival at Lord's and will be a costly venture, not so the Lahore tournament at which Britain, Australia, New Zealand and Spain will be the guests of Pakistan.

Opinion has for some time been divided on whether it is worth spending so much time, energy and money on preparing for the Olympic Games. But the overriding argument in favour is that it is the aim of every hockey player to represent his country in the Olympic event.

Not long ago an invitation to Britain to take part in the Games would have been automatic. With the cutting down in the number of teams and a change in the system of selection, Britain were faced with the unpleasant prospect of qualifying for the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal. Their results in the invitation tournament at Montreal in 1975 were not good enough and a 1—0 defeat by Argentina did not help. A play-off with Belgium in a three-match series in Amsterdam ended in defeat after Britain had won the first match convincingly and Britain failed to qualify.

So the purpose of the plans now being put into operation is for Britain to build a playing record good enough to find favour with the International Hockey Federation. If they do not the chances of obtaining a place in Moscow among the 12 participating countries will diminish.

The British team managed and coached by Roger Self, have been put through three strenuous training weekends during which careful thought has been given to every aspect of the game with the emphasis on fitness. In their last match at Lilleshall they defeated Lancashire 6—2. Gregg scored three goals and every member of the party of 16 played at some time in the match. What they do in the international scene, however, remains to be seen. Let us wish them luck.

TOURING PARTY: I. C. S. Taylor (England); D. J. Owen (England), L. Cattrall (Wales), N. G. Menzies (Scotland), P. J. Barber (England), S. J. Cotton (England, captain), R. S. Williams (Wales), C. Sutherland (Scotland), D. G. Westcott (England), J. L. Dunlop (England), J. P. C. Faulkes (Wales), H. D. G. Williams (Wales), R. H. Brookman (England), T. A. Gregg (Ireland), A. Western (Wales), W. D. McLean (Scotland). Manager and coach: R. D. Self. Assistant manager: J. A. Stewart. Team doctor: R. S. A. Thomas.

Change to professionalism that still causes an emotional tug of war

A try by A N Other given to posterity

By Richard Streeton

A family background steeped in rugby league made the defection of Ian Ball from Wasps to professionalism with Barrow less surprising than many such moves might have been. Nagging self-doubts about his form and future prospects was the spur that hastened the decision, rather than money, though Ball does not expect to be believed. What many people would feel was the soothing balm of a £10,000-plus cheque for a young schoolteacher was irrelevant in the overall context.

Ball admits candidly after only a fortnight as a paid rugby player that he is still suffering from an emotional tug of war about his decision. An All Blacks international on television leaves him wistful for what might have been in rugby union; similarly, a Great Britain v Australia rugby league clash stimulates his ambition. The years ahead will show whether he did right to don that Barrow shirt against Leeds on a recent Sunday for his trial in the time honoured guise of A. N. Other.

Not everybody in the south may be familiar with the procedure on these occasions. Both the crowd and the media always accept without demur what the programme says. (A. N. Other on this occasion scored a try and will remain credited with the points in newspaper files for posterity.) His team mates merely note that one more newcomer was being given the chance to have his ability weighed in terms of cash and usefulness and left it at that. The most persistent and tactless questionning as to the new centre's identity, it appears, came from the tea ladies.

Only the Barrow chairman and coach, officially, were aware that an England under-23 rugby international was crossing his Rubicon though by chance the Barrow full back also recognized him. He was Stephen Tickle, a team mate from school days at Cowley and later at Waterloo, who had trod the same path only a fortnight earlier.

After the game a quick word with his wife, Stephanie, and Ball put what he wanted to Barrow. There was no haggle: as Ball signed a rugby league registration form, a five-figure cheque was written alongside him and the pieces of paper were exchanged. A quick decision was in everybody's interest.

Ball has always brooded about his rugby with the same introspective approach and intensity that Boycott brings to batting for Yorkshire. It is probably no coincidence that they share some of the harsher realities of a northern background and that their mothers were prematurely widowed. Rugby has never been anything other than a serious matter for Ball: he has, for instance, kept meticulous records of every match he has played, cuttings, points detail and programmes, the lot.

He has been warding off regular approaches by rugby league scouts since he was 16 when he was already good enough to be in the first team at the St Helens rugby union club. In the parts of Lancashire where he was brought up, fanaticism for rugby approached that of the Welsh valleys. It goes without saying that there is no stigma attached if it was the 13-a-side game that was involved. Ball's father, Joe Ball, a labourer by trade, had a long and distinguished career as a professional with the St Helens and Barrow rugby league clubs. The shirt his father wore in the 1957 Wembley cup final remains Ian Ball's proudest possession. To this day he becomes incensed when he reads the newspaper cutting that outlines how a disputed try deprived his father of a winners' medal. Ian himself was three at the time.

Childhood treats for Ian Ball from five onwards were to be allowed into the dressing-rooms after matches and help collect the muddied kit and padding discarded by his father and the other players. He still remembers the exhilaration brought to an impressionable child by the atmosphere, the tension and the language as the players unwound; the dirt and the steam in the primitive changing-rooms of those days and not least the stench of stale sweat, embrocation and beer.

The son's first important rugby success came with a winning Cowley team at the Rossiyn Park school sevens' tournament. He put qualifying as a teacher ahead of everything else and by the time he left Madeley College, his rugby union star was on the rise with appearances for English Students and Waterloo, who converted him from centre to a reluctant stand-off. He had a big hand in Waterloo reaching the final of the John Player Cup in 1977 and a place in England's under-23 tour of Canada followed.

It was now, Ball feels, that things began to go wrong for him. John Palmer (Bath) was preferred at stand-off in the two main matches against Canada though Ball won his cap as a replacement full back. Back home he moved to London and joined Wasps. There had been no employment for him in the north and a teaching post in Pinner was more the incentive than the commonly held belief that his motive was that he might stand a better chance in London to catch the national selectors' eye. Ball's game in his own estimation went up and down like a yo-yo in 1977-78, though most people would have been satisfied with a season that earned him 275 points in matches for his club, a place in London's ranks for the divisional tournament and a non-travelling reserve card for England.

He did, however, have private worries and reservations. He had to move a school term ahead of his wife and there were the inevitable problems connected with a new job and accommodation, which added to his periodic depression. This season began well but again there were various setbacks. The odd mixed game, an ill-timed injury and nine months after the divisional tournament, he found himself behind Nick Preston (Richmond), Neil Bennett (London Welsh) and Ron Wilson (London Scottish) as far as London's nominations were concerned for the games against the Argentine Pumas and the New Zealanders.

At the end of October Wasps successively won against Bristol, London Irish and Newport with John Waldron at stand-off in the injured Ball's place. (Ball admires Waldron's play and before the season started offered to revert to centre to make way for Waldron without the offer being taken up). The next time the telephone rang from the rugby league world—his father-in-law had a hand in that particular call—Ball felt the moment was ripe to accept. "I never made any secret that sooner or later I might listen and it seemed the right time".

Ball was suffering from a foot injury—the legacy of a dropped weight during training in his school's gymnasium—and participated as A.N. Other on the understanding that he could run but could not kick. It hardly mattered: the innate positioning and running gifts were not hampered. The weeks ahead will hone the skills on the finer points of rugby league. The main difference he finds is the importance of tackling. "They hit you harder but at least there is the compensation that a 15 stone forward is not going to trample all over you in a ruck".

The wheel has now turned full circle for Ball: the five-year-old gatherer of kit in the dressing-room has finally returned home.

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The mare has now won three races in as many seasons for her sporting owners, who bought Duneed's Daughter as an unbroken two-year-old privately from a Welsh hill farmer. "We're in it because we love the game", Mr Woodford said: "It takes all our spare money to keep her and we just hope Duneed's Daughter wins enough to help her pay her way."

The charm of the winter game is that something exciting can always happen. And yesterday's star performance was put up by Roy Mangan on David Nicholson's Tack Money, who justified 3-1 favouritism in the Stour Novices Steeplechase after a hair-raising experience at the last fence.

At the jump Tack Money was clear with his race won, but slipped on landing. The horse was down on all fours and Mangan was out of the saddle. Staging a miraculous recovery, Mangan was virtually bucked back into position by his mount, who still managed to sprint home by 15 lengths from Bulkington Bill. Mangan was given a fine reception by the crowd and certainly qualifies as a possible recipient for the Bollinger Award for the jockey of the month.

Bulkington Bill's rider, Tommy Carmody, also had to be content with second place in the day's big race, the Merit Three-Year-Old Hurdle. As Even Par and Oncle Riton rose at the last flight together the finish looked likely to be as close as the betting suggested.

But once on the flat Oncle Riton hung badly to the left and despite Carmody's switching of his whip to that hand the French-bred colt refused to struggle, leaving Even Par and Colin Brown to win by three lengths. The successful trainer, Tom Marshall, said that Colin Moore's three-year-old's next target would be either the Aurelius Hurdle at Ascot next Saturday or Cheltenham's Daily Express Triumph Hurdle Trial on December 9.

The surprise result of the afternoon came in the Trent handicap steeplechase when the outsider of the two runners, Three Gems, beat his stable companion, the 7—2 on favourite, Master H by one and a half lengths. Their trainer, Michael Oliver, was most distressed. "I hate to see the punters lose their money in this way", he said. "But Reg Crank said that Master H just tired after taking the lead turning for home. And don't forget that Three Gems is a decent stayer in his own right who was by far the straighter in condition."

Oliver has no need to reproach himself as a glance at the runners in the paddock beforehand would have shown prospective backers the truth of the trainer's assertion. "You can't work good horses too hard on this firm ground", Oliver went on, adding that he had had to be easy on Simon Marsh's nine-year-old since the gelding's win at Chepstow. The Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup will be Master H's next race and the trainer is convinced that last spring's Cheltenham Gold Cup third is sure to go well.

Backers ended the afternoon on the right note when that unpredictable character, Flying Diplomat, comfortably justified his price of 11-10 in the Rainworth stayers hurdle. Flying Diplomat has plenty of ability, having been narrowly beaten by True Lad in the Schweppes Gold Trophy two years ago and having been placed in two Fighting Fifth Hurdles at Newcastle. But yesterday's victory was Alf Smith gelding's first success in three years. Flying Diplomat will now be put to fences.



Splendid Again (B. Smart) clears the last hurdle to win the Fontwell Three-year-old Hurdle at Fontwell Park yesterday.

Martin Tate, the trainer of the runner-up, Ask For Roger, said that last Saturday's Mackeson Gold Cup hero, Bawnogues, would now be aimed at the Edward Hanmer Memorial Trophy at Haydock Park on November 29.

Today's best wager at Nottingham should be the one-eyed Viking Spirit, whom Carmody rides in the Clifton Handicap Hurdle. Viking Spirit won with a ton in hand at Teesside Park and is a confident selection to account for Woodvale.

At Teesside Beldale Record, second to Loudon Joie at Perth, should be good enough to take the first division of the Miss Belinda Novices Hurdle. Beldale Record is reported to have cost Stephen Leadbetter £20,000 in a private deal out of Michael Jarvis's stable. And to hammer home the earlier point I have been making Beldale Record will have to win nearly 40 *races of this* value to recoup his purchase price.

STATE OF GOING (official): Folkestone: Steeplechase, Hard. Hurdles, Firm. Nottingham: Steeplechase, Firm. Hurdles, Good to firm. Ludlow: Firm. Teesside Park: Firm. Tomorrow: Newbury: Steeplechase, Hard. Hurdles, Firm (last 1m good to firm). Sedgefield: Firm.

Schweppes provide Trophy tonic

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

Schweppes announced yesterday that they are increasing their contribution towards the prize money for the Schweppes Gold Trophy next year by £5,000. This will mean that their famous hurdle race, which is always a *highlight of the racing at Newbury* in February, will have £20,000 added for the sweepstake in the future.

If one man's name is synonymous with the Schweppes it is surely that of Captain Ryan Price, who won four out of the first five runnings of the race before he decided to turn his attention to flat racing. Appropriately it was at Captain R. Price's yard in Findon that the directors of Schweppes announced their increase yesterday.

Ostensibly they were there to inspect the four yearlings that Price bought for their company at Doncaster in September; yearlings which will in due course be the prizes for competitions that they will be staging in the not too distant future for members of the licensing trade. Schweppes decision to dabble in the hazardous world of racehorse ownership again was obviously provoked by the almost unbelievable success that they enjoyed on their initial sortie this year.

If their venture into the world of race sponsorship has been an *unqualified success then their first* flirt with ownership was nothing short of remarkable. For a total of £10,000 they bought four horses a year ago and in the space of 12 months those horses won 10 races and £30,000 in prize money. All the while the value of two of the horses in particular—Schweppeshire Lad and Schweppervescence greatly increased.

This autumn Schweppes increased their outlay and spent almost £25,000 on another four yearlings that I saw yesterday. In particular I liked the colt by Roi Soleil and the filly by Lord Gayle.

However, racing being the chancy business that it is, they can count themselves lucky if they do even half as well next year, even though they have doubled their stake.

Ryan Price is undoubtedly one of racing's great characters in an era when characters such as him are becoming increasingly thin on the ground. He is a great horse master and the racing world will be duller when he eventually decides to retire. Happily that will not be for a while. I intimated earlier that Price concentrates on flat racing these days and that he does not bother about jumping. Even though it was in the National Hunt field that he, like Vincent O'Brien made his name. However, unlike O'Brien, he still enjoys having a handful of horses in strong work during the winter, just to keep his hand in as he puts it.

One of the five that he intends jumping this winter is M-Lolshan. As the winner of the Irish St Leger M-Lolshan will *certainly* be one of the better recruits to hurdling from the world of flat racing in recent years, if not the best. M-Lolshan also finished third in our St Leger, besides winning at Royal Ascot and he will be a very exciting horse to watch and bear *in mind for the Triumph Hurdle* at Cheltenham in March, if he takes to the game.

Promising start for trainer with small string

Kenneth Cunningham-Brown, who travels to his gallops in a Rolls-Royce, has had a remarkable start to his first season as a permit-holder. Dormie, who romped home by 15 lengths in the Challenge Cup at Fontwell Park yesterday, was his fourth winner —not bad for a string of five horses, three of which have yet to race this season.

Cunningham-Brown, who heads a large group of companies, trains at Middle Wallop, near Stockbridge, and is finally reaping the rewards of a frustrating association with racing in which he admitted to being "fed-up" by continually *finishing second*.

Cunningham-Brown has always owned Dormie, who has been with Peter Arthur and Vernon Cross. If all is well, Dormie will turn out again in the Charles Davis Handicap Steeplechase at Ascot on Friday. The eight-year-old, ridden with confidence by Tony Fowler, made all the running to provide *the amateur rider with his fourth* win this season.

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...ARMS HURDLE (Handicap: £337: 2m 1f 90yd)
...ac Lane, M. Oliver, 5-12-0 .... R. Crank
...Lib, R. Viberi, 4-10-11 .... C. Candy
...ace Song, W. Whiston, 5-10-9 .... R. F. Davies
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...STON STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £549: 2m)
...g Strong Boy, R. E. Peacock, 5-11-0 .... M. Brisbourne 4
...lius, W. Powell, 6-11-0 .... R. Hyett
...Foxy, J. Tierney, 5-11-0 .... R. F. Davies
...cle Newby, R. Edwards, 6-11-0 .... R. Wilding
5-2 Finius, 7-2 Big Strong Boy, 6-1 Uncle Newby.

...LD HURDLE (Div I: novices: 3-y-o: £379: 2m ...)
...intulla Boy (CD), M. Scudamore, 11-13 Mr T. Houlbrooke 7
...richina, D. Sasse, 10-7 .... J. Corbridge 7
...ack Symphony, J. Peacock, 10-7 .... S. Morshead
...ourt Gold, D. Gandolfo, 10-7 .... P. Barton
...iondly Chic, B. Cambidge, 10-7 .... Mr J. Cambidge 7
...enrys Treasure, D. Tucker, 10-7 .... T. Austin 7
...at Peg, M. Tate, 10-7 .... E. Smith
...Boy, 5-1 Friendly Chic, 6-1 Henrys Treasure, Court Gold, ...5-1 others.

...EEPLECHASE (Handicap: £951: 3m)
...valoy, A. Andrews, 8-11-5 .... Mr A. Walters 7
...cholas Nickleby II (D), Peter Taylor, 10-10-13
...ajestic Touch (C), F. Yardley, 7-10-9 .... Mr A. Shenston 7 ... Mr J. Weston
...ild Chorus (CD), M. Wilesmith, 8-10-9 .... Mr T. Jackson 7
...s Nickleby II, 7-2 Lovejoy, 9-2 Majestic Touch, 6-1 Wild ...

...LE STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £886: 2m)
...-Partner (CD), W. Jenks, 9-11-9 .... R. F. Davies
...ha Boy (D), D. Edmunds, 8-10-0 .... R. Hyett
..., 6-4 John Boy.

...LD HURDLE (Div II: novices: 3-y-o: £376: 2m ...)
...egency Wood, P. Bevan, 11-5 .... —
...ibren, W. Whiston, 10-7 .... P. Barry
...isell, M. Eckley, 10-7 .... N. Breeze 7
...untless, M. Scudamore, 10-7 .... Mr P. Scudamore 7
...mmodest Miss, R. Hollinshead, 10-7 .... J. Holt
...Vood, 4-1 Immodest Miss, 6-1 Huntless, 14-1 others.

...elections

...Staff
...30 Hi Foxy. 2.0 Sointulla Boy. 2.30 Nicholas Nickleby. 3.0 ...30 Regency Wood.

...le Park programme

...ELINDA NOVICES' HURDLE (Div I: 3-y-o: £525: ...6yd)
...Green Dancer, J. Turner, 11-5 .... A. Dickman
...Army Magic, Miss S. Hall, 11-3 .... D. Wilkinson 7
...Raipipla (CD), W. Haigh, 11-3 .... P. A. Charlton
...Red Quartz, R. Whitaker, 11-3 .... R. Barry
...Beldale Record, S. Leadbetter, 10-10 .... A. Flint
...Benowen, R. Fisher, 10-10 .... R. Lamb
...Comerce, R. Cross, 10-10 .... S. Charlton
...Proud Prestonian, J. Berry, 10-10 .... S. Houlker 7
...Royal Noble, W. A. Stephenson, 10-10 .... R. Collins
...Royal Zanoff, W. C. Watts, 10-10 .... M. Young 7
...Trearnie, T. Barnes, 10-10 .... M. Barnes
...agic, 4-1 Green Dancer, 5-1 Raipipla, Red Quartz, 6-1 Beldale ...merce, 10-1 Trearnie, 14-1 others.

...E STOBBS SELLING HURDLE (Handicap: £334: ...6yd)
...Likely Boy, D. Yeoman, 5-11-8 .... D. Munro
...Barleycroft Star, D. Yeoman, 6-11-5 .... A. Brown 4
...Pantera, W. Tinning, 4-10-13 .... A. Bowler
...Part-Ex, R. Allan, 5-10-11 .... B. Bolohan 7
...Park Lass, A. Percival, 5-10-10 .... K. McCauley
...Tremaran, J. Smith, 6-10-8 .... J. Davies 7
...oy, 2-1 Part-Ex, 7-2 Park Lass, 9-2 Barleycroft Star, 10-1 others.

...JORROCKS STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,136: ...1yd)
...Cumbria (CD), W. A. Stephenson, 8-11-11 Mr T. G. Dun 4
...Oskard, H. Blackshaw, 9-11-2 .... G. Holmes
..., 11-10 Cumbria.

...ONGE HANDICAP HURDLE (£602: 2m 176yd)
...Helping Hand, A. Smith, 4-11-12 .... A. Dickman
...Powers of Darkness, D. Yeoman, 4-11-12 .... D. Munro
...Mallow (CD), E. Weymes, 5-11-5 .... G. Holmes
...*Milk River, W. A. Stephenson, 4-11-0* .... Mr T. G. Dun
...Rolus, D. Chapman, 9-10-13 .... C. Mann
...Gusty Somers, B. Richmond, 7-10-12 .... M. O'Shea
...of Darkness, 100-30 Helping Hand, 4-1 Mallow, 5-1 Milk River, ...1 Gusty Somers.

...BREWITT NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE (£986: 2½m)
...Master Teddy (CD), R. Fisher, 7-12-0 .... R. Lamb
...Five Bells, J. Fitzgerald, 6-11-7 .... R. Holmes 7
...Melmerby, P. Courage, 5-11-7 .... M. Barnes
...Mid Vale, W. A. Stephenson, 6-11-7 .... G. Faulkner
...Teddy, 8-1 Five Bells, 10-1 Melmerby, 12-1 Mid Vale.

...BELINDA NOVICES' HURDLE (Div II: 3-y-o: £513: ...76yd)
...Mr Snow, W. A. Stephenson, 11-3 .... R. Collins
...Sovereign Tale, Mrs S. Chesmore, 11-3 .... N. Tinkler
...Ayresome, B. Richmond, 10-10 .... M. O'Shea
...Beabal, M. Naughton, 10-10 .... —
...Creswell, P. Wigham, 10-10 .... P. Charlton
...Handsome Blaze, C. Booth, 10-10 .... D. Goulding
...Kirkland Bridge, J. Berry, 10-10 .... S. Houlker 7
...Our Enery, P. Wigham, 10-10 .... G. Holmes
...The Philistanian, R. Johnson, 10-10 .... A. Dickman
...Zamandra, J. Fitzgerald, 10-10 .... D. Dutton
...Snow, 4-1 Sovereign Tale, 5-1 The Philistanian, 6-1 Kirkland Bridge, ...6-1 others.

...e Park selections

...ing Staff
...le Record. 1.45 Barleycroft Star. 2.15 Oskard. 2.45 Helping ... Master Teddy. 3.45 Mr Snow.

Nottingham programme

1.15 COLWICK STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £409: 2m)
2 1-040a2 Paradise Flight, M. Chapman, 10-11-1 .... R. Millman
4 0p-pp3p Code of Honour, M. Naughton, 6-10-7 .... G. Seward
5 p00p0f- Zonta, R. Clay, 10-10-7 .... M. Charles
6 04-p023 Welsh Dresser, R. O'Neill, 7-10-7 .... A. Greening
7 0-320fp Saddlers Queen, P. Bevan, 5-10-7 .... A. Coogan
8 00000-2 Gay Como (D), S. Nesbitt, 9-10-7 .... D. Nesbitt
10 0000u-4 Go Solo, B. Richmond, 14-10-7 .... K. Whyte
7-4 Gay Como, 5-2 Welsh Dresser, 4-1 Paradise Flight, 5-1 Saddlers Queen, 12-1 Code of Honour, 14-1 others.

1.45 TOLLERTON HURDLE (Div I: novices: £627: 2m)
203 03-10 Metals, G. Vergette, 4-11-3 .... P. J. Kealy
204 03203-1 Naval Victory, R. Hollinshead, 4-11-3 .... C. Astbury
205 0-100 Tom Sawyer, G. Kindersley, 4-11-3 .... R. R. Evans
207 43 Beckham, F. Rimell, 5-11-0 .... J. Burke
208 03 Carnlea House, R. Hartop, 6-11-0 .... J. Suthern
210 10000-0 George Kirtland, J. Priday, 6-11-0 .... R. Dickin
211 0000-0 Iseult, H. Hanmer, 6-11-0 .... P. Tuck 7
213 Jeannie Swift, J. Webber, 5-11-0 .... A. Webber
216 0f No Honestly, T. Brookshaw, 5-11-0 .... E. Brooke 7
220 000-0 Young Geoff, J. Priday, 5-11-0 .... G. Jones
225 0000-0 Hallez-Loup, W. Clay, 4-10-10 .... N. Clay
228 0 Royal Mood, W. Evans, 4-10-10 .... P. Vanville 7
230 Sir Titus, S. Nattriss, 4-10-10 .... K. Gray
231 Terrington, P. Felgate, 4-10-10 .... J. Pearce
13-8 Naval Victory, 9-4 Beckham, 5-1 Metals, 7-1 Carnlea House, 10-1 Tom Sawyer, 13-1 others.

2.15 CLIFTON HURDLE (Handicap: £871: 2½m)
301 434012- Listercombe (D), D. Nicholson, 7-12-4 .... A. Webb 4
309 120301- Pearly, T. Hill, 6-11-1 .... R. R. Evans
310 003pp0- Aloha Prince, B. Maddever, 6-10-7 .... A. Webber
311 10-2210 Equivocal (CD), T. Forster, 8-10-5 .... G. Thorner
312 23-4 Woodvale, R. Murphy, 8-10-5 .... A. K. Taylor
313 f1 Viking Spirit, W. Evans, 8-10-3 .... T. Carmody
316 430300- Mexican Silk, G. Vergette, 5-10-0 .... P. J. Kelly
317 0040-00 Priddy Friendly, P. Cooke, 6-10-0 .... A. Harrison
318 003p2- Ballymoy, K. Morgan, 9-10-0 .... K. Gray
319 0-p Jimmyfisher, L. Thwaites, 7-10-0 .... S. Shilston 7
320 Royal Bramble, D. Plant, 5-10-0 .... C. Astbury
2-1 Viking Spirit, 5-1 Woodvale, 5-1 Equivocal, 13-2 Listercombe, 8-1 Pearly, 12-1 Mexican Silk, 14-1 others.

2.45 BINGHAM STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,131: 2m)
401 2-300-0 Filigrove, D. Nicholson, 7-12-0 .... J. King
403 02u2-11 Star of the Arctic (D), D. Morley, 7-11-13 .... B. R. Davies
405 01fp-20 Tantalus (D), N. Gaselee, 7-11-4 .... M. Floyd
8-11 Star of the Arctic, 3-1 Tantalus, 7-2 Filigrove.

3.15 MANSFIELD STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £629: 3m)
503 0f0-f00 All Bright, D. Nicholson, 6-11-2 .... J. Suthern
504 004-2 Ballynaclogh, G. Kindersley, 6-11-2 .... R. R. Evans
4-11 Ballynaclogh, 5-2 All Bright.

3.45 TOLLERTON HURDLE (Div II: novices: £615: 2m)
604 00- Count Ten, S. Nattriss, 6-11-0 .... K. Gray
606 0 Fair Note, P. Felgate, 5-11-0 .... J. Pearce
607 0 Funchal, S. Holland, 9-11-0 .... S. Holland
611 2 Mechain Lady, W. Clay, 7-11-0 .... N. Clay
613 Owen Glyndwr, H. Hanmer, 5-11-0 .... P. Tuck 7
618 0 Balteus, D. Ringer, 4-10-10 .... S. McNeill 7
Evens Mechain Lady, 5-4 Balteus, 8-1 Fair Note, 16-1 others.

Nottingham selections

By Our Racing Staff
1.15 Code of Honour. 1.45 Beckham. 2.15 VIKING SPIRIT is specially recommended. 2.45 Tantalus. 3.15 Ballynaclogh. 3.45 Balteus.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.45 Star of the Arctic. 3.45 Balteus.

Folkestone programme

1.0 BURWASH HURDLE (Div I: Novices: 3-y-o: £513: 2m 200yd)
1 213 Bally Seal (D), H. Westbrook, 11-5 .... S. Smith-Eccles
3 2221 Misty Chime, G. Balding, 11-5 .... R. Linley
4 Ball, C. Dingwall, 10-10 .... I. Epps 4
11 3 Toyco, E. Beeson, 10-10 .... R. Goldstein 7
Evens Bally Seal, 5-4 Misty Chime, 8-1 Toyco, 14-1 Ball.

1.30 BIDDENDEN HURDLE (£422: 2m 200yd)
2 p-03203 David's City, W. Guest, 8-11-12 .... Joe Guest
5 000110 Red Ambion, A. Davison, 6-11-12 .... G. Gracey
11 40- Doon Silver, A. Davison, 4-11-5 .... —
4-6 Red Ambion, 15-8 David's City, 10-1 Doon Silver.

2.0 HEATHFIELD STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,584: 3m)
1 1130-22 Toureen, J. Gifford, 6-12-0 .... H. Davies 4
7 423211 Even Cooler (D), H. Jackson, 9-10-0 .... B. Smart
9 00020u Elfin Lady, Mrs J. French, 6-10-0 .... Miss Sheilagh French
4-7 Toureen, 2-1 Even Cooler, 14-1 Elfin Lady.

2.30 APPLEDORE HURDLE (Handicap: £1,446: 2½m)
3 002402- Foolsome, L. Bowman, 6-11-13 .... R. Rowe 7
4 411-322 Whirlitzer, A. Pitt, 6-11-10 .... J. Cox 7
5 Galahad II, G. Harwood, 5-10-10 .... G. Lawson
6 4004p-0 Goose Pimple, J. Gifford, 5-10-10 .... R. Champion
7 0-00347 Divinity, F. Winter, 4-10-10 .... M. Bastard 7
9 123323 Jack Jiggs, B. Wise, 6-10-7 .... —
10 ff4102- Church Belle, E. Beeson, 6-10-0 .... R. Goldstein 7
11 30210-0 Bujoli (D), R. Ledger, 5-10-0 .... Nicky Ledger 7
2-1 Divinity, 11-4 Whirlitzer, 5-1 Goose Pimple, 6-1 Galahad II, 8-1 Jack Jiggs, 10-1 Foolsome, 30-1 others.

3.0 HERSTMONCEUX STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £665: 2m 100yd)
1 003-031 Bold Saint, L. Bowman, 6-12-0 .... R. Rowe 7
5 p-6ff4 Holly Hill, T. Palmer, 10-11-7 .... Miss P. Palmer
10 0pp0dp- Sleady, Mrs I. French, 8-11-7 .... Miss Scarlett French
11 Snowdra's Daughter, Mrs J. French, 8-11-7 Miss Sarah French 7
1-5 Bold Saint, 8-1 Snowdra's Daughter, 10-1 Sleady, 14-1 Holly Hill.

3.30 BURWASH HURDLE (Div II: Novices: 3-y-o: £565: 2m 200yd)
1 24610 Reebad, G. Balding, 11-5 .... S. Dennett 7
5 00 Nosebande, T. M. Jones, 10-10 .... R. Champion
1-4 Reebad, 7-2 Nosebande.

Folkestone selections

By Our Racing Staff
1.0 Misty Chime. 1.30 David's City. 2.0 Even Cooler. 2.30 Goose Pimple. 3.0 Bold Saint. 3.30 Reebad.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
1.0 Bally Seal.

...gham results

...HURDLE (£622: 2m)
...g, by Dancing Lad— ...(R ...), 5-11-7 ...I Walkinson (7-2) 1
...... N. Clay (4-1) 2
...... J. Mooney (14-1) 3
...N: 5-2 fav Bien Tarn (4), ...1 Kit (4th), 9-1 Aclo, 10-1 ...0-1 Divine Sunshine, 33-1 ...e, Julie Simone, Miricline ...rcash (p), 13 ran.
...in, 35p; places, 11p, 38p, ...forecast, £3.55. H. O'Neill, ...n. 8l, 1½l.

...HURDLE (Handicap: £842 ...)
...aughter, b m, by Dunned ...dul Jacquelien (C. Wool... ...10-8 ... Webb (5-1) 1
...e ... N. Clay (11-8 fav) 2
...... G. Jones (15-1) 3
...RAN: 7-1 Kalltone, 12-1 ...Illusian Star (ref to race), ...h Martyr, Henrys Lady, 40-1 ...in, Hidden Talent (4th), 10 ...
...Win, 70p; places, 15p, 11p, ...forecast, 40p. J. Spearing, ...r. el 7l.

...15) TRENT STEEPLECHASE ...cap: £1,110: 3m)
...ms, ch g, by Three Dons ...Diadem (P. Luff), ... P. Barton (5-2) 1
...... R. Crank (2-7) 2
...Win, 38p. M. Oliver, at ...½l, 2 ran.

2.15 (2.16) MERIT HURDLE (3-y-o: £2,552: 2m)
Even Par, ch c, by Jimmy Reppin —*Kamitisi* (C. Moore), 11-5 ...C. Brown (15-8) 1
Oncle Riton T. Carmody (5-4 fav) 2
Belcraig ...... G. Holmes (20-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-2 Sing Mun (4th), 20-1 Chadworth-Gold, 33-1 The Gascon ..., Montpazr, St Paddys Gift, Super Spud, 9 ran.
TOTE: Win, 62p; places, 15p, 11p, 16p; dual forecast, 15p. T. C. Marshall, at Lambourn. 3l, 12l.

3.15 (3.17) STOUR STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £681: 2m)
Tack Money, b g, by Hard Tack— Tex Money (Mrs B. Olivers), 6-11-5 .. R. Mangan (3-1 fav) 1
Bulkington Bill T. Carmody (11-2) 2
Star of Israel M. Brisbourne (5-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-3 Yeoman, 9-2 Solentown (4th), 10-1 Cosmore Sweeters (f), 25-1 Remina. 7 ran.
TOTE: Win, 25p; places, 14p, 31p; dual forecast, £1.08. D. Nicholson, at Stow-on-the-Wold. 15l, 6l.

3.45 (3.45) RAINWORTH HURDLE (£781: 2½m)
Flying Diplomat, b g, by Diplomat Way—Plaintiff III (S. Griffiths), 7-11-5 .. A. Dickman (11-10 fav) 1
Ask For Roger ... C. Smith (6-4) 2
Charles Swift ..... N. Clay (33-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-1 Lismount VI, 12-1 Slippery Dick (4th), 50-1 Wayward Winifred. 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 14p; places, 11p, 24p; dual forecast, 23p. A. Smith, at Beverley. 3l, 4l. Fast Reactor did not run.
TOTE DOUBLE: Three Gems and Tack Money, £4.15. TREBLE: Duneeds Daughter, Even Par and Flying Diplomat, £10.35. JACKPOT: Not won. PLACEPOT: £16.80.

Fontwell Park results

1.0 (1.1) BOXGROVE HURDLE (Handicap: £573: 2m 1f)
Bonidon, b g, by Tacitus—Bonnie Lass (A. Moore), 9-10-0 ...J. Southern (12-1) 1
Aorist .... S. Charlton (8-1) 2
Easy Action ... M. Banham (14-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 4-1 fav David's City, 6-1 Service Charge, 15-2 Playful Warrior (4th), 15-2 Machino, 10-1 Great Things (p), 12-1 Quartic Melody, 16-1 King's Rhapsody (f), 20-1 Sunny Chief, 25-1 Fortune's Pride. 12 ran.
TOTE: Win, 59p; places, 14p, 15p, 41p; dual forecast, 96p. A. Moore, at Brighton. 3l, 4l.

1.30 (1.30) PETWORTH STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £771: 3¼m)
Railway City, ch g, by Charlottesville Flyer — Fair Maid (T. Nixon), 6-11-10 ...G. Thorner (4-1) 1
Physicist .... R. Champion (4-2) 2
Delopos .... Mr A. Walter (66-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 4-7 fav William Penn, 20-1 Glanfield (4th). 5 ran.
TOTE: Win, 46p; dual forecast, 48p. T. Forster, at Wantage. ¾l, 4l.

2.0 (2.1) FONTWELL HURDLE (3-y-o: £1,718: 2m 1f)
Splendid Again, b g, by John Splendid — Maella (P. Deal), 11-4 .... B. Smart (9-2) 1
Light Up .. B. R. Davies (5-4 fav) 2
Techmatic ..... J. Southern (16-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Cornbury, 7-1 Crex Crex, 12-1 Royal Tiger (4th), 20-1 Barrsbrook (p), 33-1 Pride of Barnes. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, 49p; places, 16p, 11p, 15p; *dual forecast*, 29p. Mrs J. Pitman, at Upper Lambourn. 3l, 3l. Charles James did not run.

2.30 (2.31) NORFOLK CUP STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,301: 2½m)
Dormie, b m, by Spartan General—Dormie (K. Cunningham-Brown), 8-10-7 .. Mr A. Fowler (4-5) 1
Brandy Fare, Mr A. J. Wilson (4-1) 2
Roi de Frontiere ...Mr D. Evatt (11-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 12-1 Eastern Magic (f), 20-1 Poss Burn (4th), 33-1 Willoblige (f). 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 14p; places, 11p, 12p; dual forecast, 25p. K. Cunningham-Brown, Stockbridge. 15l, 10l.

3.0 (3.0) BURY STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £1,312: 2½m)
Stonepark, b g, by Pals Passage or Three Dons—Diamonds (Mrs S. Embiricos), 6-11-0 ...R. Champion (8-11) 1
Harry Hotspur, N. Holman (12-1) 2
Colonel Mustard, G. Thorner (5-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Number Engaged (4th). 4 ran.
TOTE: Win, 17p; dual forecast, 74p. J. Gifford, Findon. Nk, ¾l.

3.30 (3.31) GORING HURDLE (Novices: 4-y-o: £695: 2m 1f)
Upton Bishop, ch g, by Salvo—*Nicolina* (Mrs P. Smith), 10-3 ...R. Rowe (7-1) 1
White Heron, R. Rowell (16-1) 2
Now Hear This, B. Reilly (4-6) 3
ALSO RAN: 11-4 Ernel, 14-1 Flora Fahan, 16-1 Legal Laird (4th), 20-1 Blue Braid, Isobel's Choice (p), Splendid Summer, 33-1 Body Blow, Flirty Girl, Geeleebee, Hot Tramp, Malow. 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, 60p; places, 16p, 28p, 11p; dual forecast, £2.50. Mrs N. Smith, Chichester. 5l, 5l. Moon Hawk did not run.
TOTE DOUBLE: Splendid Again, Stonepark, £7.55. TREBLE: Railway City, Dormie, Upton Bishop, £24.50.

Law Report November 13 1978 Court of Appeal

Company director not 'employee'

Parsons v Albert J. Parsons & Sons Ltd

Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Stephenson and Lord Justice Shaw

[Judgments delivered Nov 10]

The Court of Appeal restored the decision of an industrial tribunal which had held that they had no jurisdiction to entertain a claim for unfair dismissal by a company director because they were unable to find that he had any contract of service or one that could be implied from the circumstances and facts. Therefore the applicant director was not also an "employee" within section 30 of the Trade Union and *Labour Relations Act 1974, and so* was not entitled to apply for compensation for unfair dismissal under paragraph 4 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

Their Lordships allowed an appeal by Albert J. Parsons Ltd, of Coxley, Wells, Somerset, from the Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Justice Arnold presiding) (*The Times*, October 25, 1977; [1975] ICR 456), which, on an appeal by Mr Leonard Parsons, formerly a director of the family company, had remitted his case to a different industrial tribunal for rehearing.

Mr C. S. Rawlins for the company; Mr D. H. Fletcher for the applicant.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS *said that when Mr Albert Parsons* who founded a family haulage business died leaving three sons, a family company was formed to run the business. The majority of the shares were held in trust for the widow, and each son had 10,000. Later subsidiary companies were formed to sell motor vehicles and to hire them out. One of the sons, Mr Leonard *Parsons, the applicant,* devoted a great deal of his time to seeing that the subsidiary companies did well, while his mother and two brothers concentrated more on the main business, selling various products and particularly air brake equipment.

When the company was incorporated the two elder brothers, Kenneth and Leonard, were made *directors for life: there was no* fee or salary or contract of service agreed or drawn up; but all three sons worked in the business and all three took out at the end of each year "directors' emoluments" voted by resolution. Within about 10 years the emoluments came to about £10,000 a year each.

In 1976 difficulties arose; the *brothers did not see eye to eye* with one another. An extraordinary general meeting removed Leonard, the middle son, from all his executive duties, including the signing of cheques. At another extraordinary general meeting he was removed as a director. He claimed that his dismissal was unfair and that he was entitled to compensation under the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act.

The one question was whether there was jurisdiction in the industrial tribunal to consider his complaint. That depended on whether he was a person employed under a contract of service. Section 30 of the Act said: "'Contract of employment' means a contract of service or of apprenticeship, whether it is express or implied and (if it is express) whether it is oral or in writing:" and "'employee' meant 'an individual who has entered into or works under . . . a contract of employment . . .'".

Was Mr Parsons employed under a contract of service? There was nothing express, but was it implied? From the start he had worked completely full-time for the companies all the year round, drawing remuneration like his brothers. The Employment Appeal Tribunal regarded it as "highly likely" that when one found a full-time director drawing remuneration there was to be inferred a contract of service which would give rise, if he were dismissed, to a claim for unfair dismissal.

The industrial tribunal at Bridgwater, on the other hand, took the view that "it is significant and important that all the directors work in and about the company. That, in our view, is all that they do for which a contract may be implied. Is that enough? We think not. We feel we are entitled to look at the realities of the situation. Mr Rawlins described it as 'a family partnership with corporate status'. There is, of course, no such description known to the law. We feel, however, that it aptly describes the position . . .". Which view was correct?

The company and the brothers were served by an experienced accountant who had drawn up the accounts for years. They showed no item of wages or salary for *the brothers, though there were* for all the employees. The directors' emoluments were put in separately as directors' fees and emoluments. Further, in the entry for national insurance stamps the brothers were put in as self-employed, not as employees. Indeed, the way the accounts were presented appeared to put the view that the brothers were work*ing as full-time directors receiv*ing remuneration by way of directors' fees.

Section 26 of the Companies Act, 1967, required every company to keep at an appropriate place "in the case of each director whose contract of service with the company is in writing, a copy of that contract", and if it was not in writing, a written memorandum had to be kept, setting out the terms of that contract. There was no such memorandum kept on the company's files.

The industrial tribunal, looking at the company accounts showing the brothers being remunerated as directors and not under contracts of service, were entitled to throw that into the scales. They had quoted from Mr Justice Cohen in *Trussed Steel Concrete Co Ltd v Green* ([1945] Ch 115, 121): "When I find a man who is bound to devote his whole time to the affairs of the company, to do all in his power to develop and extend the business of the company, not to engage in any other business, and who is engaged on terms that his employment may be determined by the company by notice in writing I find it impossible to say that he is not employed by the company."

The tribunal felt that the judge there was considering all the circumstances, including terms contained in a particular service agreement; but that, doing the same in the present case, they felt no such contract of service existed and therefore that Mr Parsons could not claim for unfair dismissal.

It was not possible to say that the tribunal had erred in law in so finding. Nor did the Appeal Tribunal think that it was wrong or could be reversed: but they felt that there was a particular factor [the description in the accounts of the annual payments *as "directors' emoluments"*] on which the tribunal had placed too much emphasis; and so they remitted the case to another tribunal for further consideration.

Both parties had agreed in their Lordships' court that that would be undesirable, prolonging the preliminary issue at too much expense. It seemed to his Lordship that the right view was that the *industrial tribunal were entitled to* come to the decision they did. He saw no error in it and would therefore allow the appeal.

Lord Justice Stephenson and Lord Justice Shaw delivered concurring judgments.

Leave to appeal was refused.

Solicitors: Chubb, Beresford & Wyatt, Wells; Mr Rodney E. King, Bristol.

Chancery Division

Adult 'child': no maintenance provision

In re Coventry, deceased

Before Mr Justice Oliver

[Judgment delivered November 9]

His Lordship, reversing the decision of the master, refused to make an order for provision to be made for the plaintiff, Mr Albert Edward Coventry, out of the estate of his father, Mr Albert James Coventry, under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and *Dependants*) Act, 1975. The plaintiff, who was aged 46, in good health and in gainful employment, claimed under section 1(1) of the Act as a child of the deceased, who died intestate in 1976. The defendant was his mother, Mrs Blanche Elizabeth Coventry, aged 74, who had lived apart from her husband, the intestate, for the last 19 years of his life, after *living with him for the previous* 30 years.

Mr B. M. L. Stephen for the plaintiff; Mr Giles Harrap for the defendant widow.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the plaintiff, the only child of the deceased, claimed under section 2 of the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependants) Act, 1975. The defendant, as the widow of the intestate, was the person entitled, under the provisions of the Administration of Estates Act, 1925, as amended, to the whole of his estate. Letters of administration had been granted to her. The estate was modest, consisting substantially of the intestate's interest in a dwelling-house in Granville Road, Hayes, Middlesex, in which he was living with his son till his death, and in which his son was still living.

The summons, issued on March 22, 1977, seemed to have been a riposte to the widow's claim to possession of the house, in Uxbridge County Court, later transferred to the High Court, so that both sets of proceedings were now before the court.

The master found that the widow was entitled to a one-third share in the house, having made a substantial contribution to its purchase. The net value of the estate was then about £5,500. The master concluded that the plaintiff had established a claim under the Act and awarded him £2,000. It was now agreed that the value of the house had increased from about £10,000 to £12,000, making the disposable balance effectively £7,000.

The widow lived on an old age pension and supplementary benefit; the son was, or capable of, gainful employment. He could not be said to be dependent upon his father, except to the extent that he enjoyed common occupation of the home, apparently in return for providing the latter's food and contributing to outgoings.

In such circumstances an application would not have been possible before April 1, 1976, but the 1975 Act now enabled a child to apply, even though the child was male, of full age, and suffering from no disability. Nevertheless applications by able bodied and *comparatively young men in em*ployment must be relatively rare, and needed to be approached with circumspection. It was therefore surprising that it was the son, who, despite his success before the master, had sought an adjournment to the judge, and even more surprising that the provision sought would, in effect, deprive his widowed mother of all her statutory entitlement and would award him £7,000 outright.

Shortly after the son had returned home after Naval service in 1957, the widow had left home, and the intestate had contributed nothing to her support. Nor had she sought to assert her claim to an interest in the house. On any analysis she was living on a very slender margin.

The plaintiff, who after 1957 had stayed at home to look after his father, was living rent free. He had married in 1961, but in 1975 his wife left, taking the three children of the marriage, for whose maintenance he was paying £12 a week under a court order. His present earnings amounted to about £70 a week, his disposable income was little over £40 a week. He was about £400 in arrear with maintenance payments. What he now sought was £7,000 to enable him to make a down payment for a house or flat and to raise a mortgage, on which he could make repayments within his disposable income.

Obviously any financial assistance the plaintiff could get to maintain himself would be welcome, but his Lordship asked himself whether that was the sort of case in which Parliament intended the court to interfere. The 1975 Act was, by its preamble, to make "fresh provision" enabling the court to make orders. The former legislation was restricted to the making of reasonable provision for the maintenance of the applicant, and at first sight "reasonable financial provision" made it look as if Parliament had in mind, in the current legislation, a much wider approach. Provision for a surviving spouse was expressly not limited to what was required for maintenance (section 1 (2) (b)), but in the case of any other application provision was still restricted to was was reasonable for maintenance (section 2 (1) (b)).

Mr Stephen had relied on a very broad interpretation of "maintenance" by Mr Vivian Price, QC, sitting as a deputy judge, in *Christie v Keeble* (unreported, July 21, 1978): "The applicant's way of life and well-being, his health, financial security and allied matters such as the well-being, health and financial security of his immediate family for whom he is responsible". That interpretation, his Lordship thought, came dangerously near to equating it with "well-being" or "benefit".

Mr Harrap, while acknowledging that the Act made "fresh" provision and that it broadened the class of applicants, contended that it was nevertheless in continuation of the previous legislation and, except to the extent to which it, in terms, went beyond such previous legislation, must be construed and applied in the same way. In particular he said that except in the case of a spouse it remained an Act for securing reasonable provision for "maintenance", such maintenance to be construed as under previous legislation.

His Lordship did not consider that Parliament could have intended the body of existing case law to be put on one side. The 1975 Act might have been in... make "fresh" provision, but it *formed part of a continuum; and* the introduction of an expande... class of potential applicants d... not of itself point to a differe... approach to the meaning ... "maintenance".

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HIS LORDSHIP said that the defendant, Mr Douglas Henry Guile, an on-course bookmaker at Romford Greyhound Stadium, had pleaded guilty to 12 offences of being knowingly concerned in the fraudulent evasion of duty in respect of bets made with him between September 24 and December 10, 1974. The commissioners estimated that the amount of duty unpaid by him between September 21, 1971 and December 7, 1974, was £12,202. Of that amount the defendant had paid £208 in respect of tax avoided on bets involved in the 12 offences, and said that the commissioners' estimate was invalid because it related to a period earlier than *his first admitted offence (September 24, 1974)* and there was no evidence that his records were materially incomplete or inaccurate before that date. The commissioners sued for the balance.

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In *In re Mesco Properties Ltd* (November 8) junior counsel for the liquidator was Mr James Munby.

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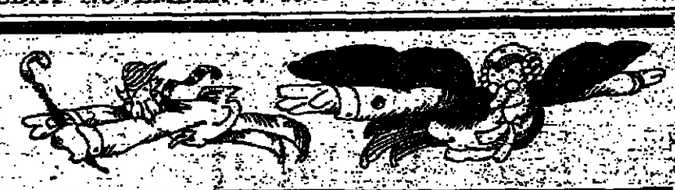
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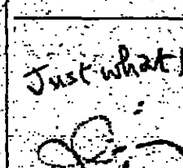
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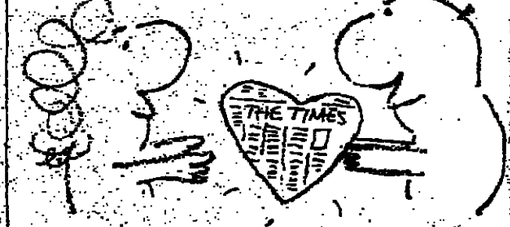
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Notice is hereby given that a Petition for the winding-up of the above named Company by the High Court of Justice was on the 24th day of October 1978 presented to the said Court by Walter Bruce Limited whose registered office is situate at Michael House, Baker Street, London W.1 and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London (W.C.A. 2LL) on the 27th day of November 1978, and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an Order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing in person or by his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

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Notice is hereby given that an ORDER dated the 19th October 1978 made in the above matters the Court has directed separate meetings of the holders (meaning in relation to any such Policy as is hereinafter described persons who would be entitled to move in the winding-up of the Company in respect of that Policy if an Order for the winding-up of the Company had been made on the 13th November 1978) of the classes of Policies of Assurance of the above-named Company (hereinafter called "the Company") described in the first column of the Schedule hereto to be convened for the purpose of considering and if thought fit approving (with or without modification) a Scheme of Arrangement proposed to be made between the Company and the holders of its said respective classes of policies and that such Meetings will be held at Winchester House, 77, London Wall, London, E.C.2, on Wednesday the 29th day of November 1978 at the respective times specified in the second column of the Schedule hereto at which place and respective dates all the aforesaid Policyholders are requested to attend.

Any person entitled to attend the said Meetings may obtain copies of the said Scheme of Arrangement forms of Proxy and copies of the Statement required to be furnished pursuant to Section 207 of the above-mentioned Act at the Registered Office of the Company situate at Leon House, High Street, Croydon, CR9 1LU, and at the offices of the under-mentioned Solicitors at the address mentioned below during usual business hours on any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) prior to the day appointed for the said Meetings.

The said Policyholders may vote in person at such of the said Meetings as they are entitled to attend or they may appoint another person whether a member of the class or not as their proxy to attend and vote in their stead.

In the case of two or more persons who are the joint holders of any such Policy as aforesaid (whether as original grantees thereof or by assignment or as personal representative) the vote of the senior who tenders a vote whether in person or by proxy will be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other such joint holders and for this purpose seniority will be determined by the order in which the names appear in the records of the Company.

It is requested that forms appointing proxies be lodged at the Registered Office of the Company situate at Leon House, High Street, Croydon, CR9 1LU, not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the said Meetings, but if forms are not so lodged they may be handed to the Chairman at the Meeting at which they are to be used.

By the said Order the Court has appointed Donald Douglas Stigger or failing him, Selwyn Alan Barnett to act as Chairman of each of the said Meetings and has directed the Chairman to report the results thereof respectively to the Court.

The said Scheme of Arrangement will be subject to the subsequent approval of the Court.

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THE SCHEDULE before referred to

Column 1 Description of Policy	Column 2 Period of Issue	Column 3 Time of Meeting
1 Property Growth Single Premium Bond Policy	May, 1969 to July, 1970	12 o'clock in the forenoon
2 Property Growth Single Premium Bond Policy	July, 1970 to April, 1974	11.05 o'clock in the forenoon (or so soon thereafter as the preceding meeting shall have been concluded or adjourned)
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7 Executive Property Investment Plan	March, 1973 to April, 1974	11.30 o'clock in the forenoon (or so soon thereafter as the preceding meetings shall have been concluded or adjourned)
8 Property Endowment Policy	July, 1970 to April, 1974	11.35 o'clock in the forenoon (or so soon thereafter as the preceding meetings shall have been concluded or adjourned)
9 Property Growth Single Premium Agricultural Bond Policy	August, 1970 to April, 1974	11.40 o'clock in the forenoon (or so soon thereafter as the preceding meetings shall have been concluded or adjourned)
10 Abbey National Property Growth Single Premium Bond Policy	February, 1970 to April, 1974	11.45 o'clock in the forenoon (or so soon thereafter as the preceding meetings shall have been concluded or adjourned)

NOTE: Pursuant to the Scheme the classes of policy referred to above do not include any policy of assurance in respect of which the Company shall prior to the date upon which the Scheme becomes effective have received notice of the death of the life assured named in such policy or notice of the surrender of the whole of such policy.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. In the Matter of KARWIN GARMENT FACTORY (United Kingdom) Limited. Nature of Business: Manufacturer of Clothing.
WINDING UP ORDER MADE 16th October 1978.
DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:
CREDITORS 28th November 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock.
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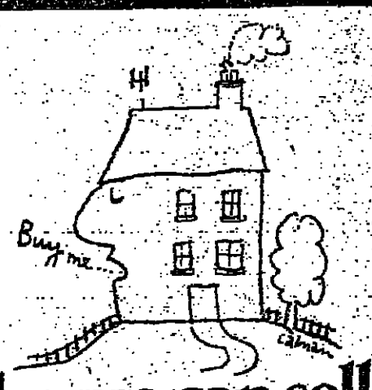
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The Philharmonia Orchestra's Mahler cycle is a sensible idea, for his work, more than most, needs to be known as a whole. That is partly because of the cross-references between his symphonies and song cycles, and the seventh symphony, certainly, contains many illusions to earlier pieces. It occupied the whole programme on Sunday afternoon, and that is as Mahler would have wished, as he believed a symphony ought to be a complete world in itself.

The seventh is the least autobiographical of the series, although during a good performance one can almost believe in a hidden programme. Lorin Maazel, for example, made the introduction to the first movement both darkly brooding and fraught with drama, giving an impression of vast forces gathering themselves together. The allegro energico which follows sounded considerably less frenetic than in the hands of some conductors, but was a real exploration of the tensions between light and dark.

The work continues the deepening of expression and complication of style found in the fifth and sixth symphonies, and is his most extreme instance of the grotesque in music, and particularly of outlandish orchestration. It is not surprising, therefore, that darkness wins the battle of the opening movement, especially as all three symphonies are impregnated with the atmosphere of Mahler's *Kindertotenlieder*. The three middle movements of the seventh then, are unequivocally nocturnal and have at their centre a nightmarish Scherzo.

Mr Maazel projected this music's fantastic aspect with especial clarity, and in the Scherzo with macabre humour. Even the nostalgia of the second *Nachtmusik* piece was, of necessity, touched with irony. Also of necessity, there was much excellent orchestral playing, above all from the brass. That emphasized that the work's ambiguity depends in part on its distorted echoes of military music.

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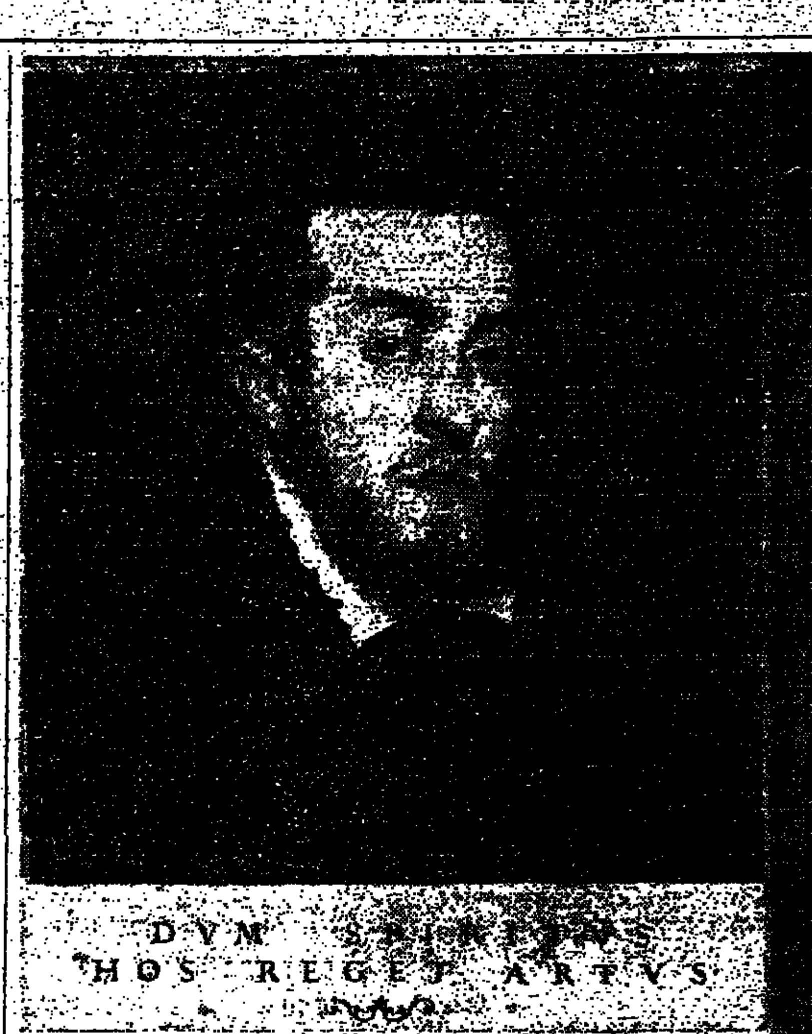
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Moroni: Portrait, said to represent a Count Lupi, and, right, Chastity

Depicting the human race

Giovanni Battista Moroni
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Graphic Works of Georges Braque
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Paddy Kitchen

Great portrait painting is a mysterious art. The qualities needed to assemble a two-dimensional person in paint may be listed, but their successful fusion remains impenetrable. The results have a power which survives time and fashion, and provides one of our most immediate links with the past. Moroni, whose 400th anniversary the National Gallery is celebrating, was an exceptional portrait painter, and Allan Braham, the Keeper of the gallery, has honoured him well. Fourteen paintings, mostly from the gallery's own collection, are exhibited together, and Braham has written an introduction to Moroni's work as a whole, besides cataloguing in detail the current exhibition (published together at 95p.).

Not a great deal is known about him; he worked mainly in Bergamo and Bescia, where he was famous during his lifetime for his portraiture, and a combination of Titian's pervasive influence plus the wrong attribution of some of his works to the latter, led later to the sobriquet "the poor man's Titian". The English have long liked his work, and *The Tailor*, which the National Gallery bought in 1862, is a particular favourite. It is unique for its time in that it is a serious painting of a working man at his trade, and Braham likens its integrity to the laundering scenes that Degas painted.

Standing in a roomful of Moronis is to be in the presence of real people—a gentleman with his leg in an iron, a widower with his children, an aristocrat stiffly wary above the inscription "While breath commands these veins". Moroni's religious and allegorical paintings suffer, as Braham points out, from his incapacity to generalize. He could respond magnificently to the complexities of a single human being, but not to the scope of a religious narrative. His failure to succeed in this area, to impose a sense of design and urgency on sacred matters, is perhaps not surprising, given his commitment to depicting the human race. And those who feel a little uneasy themselves in front of too many gods and nymphs and cloudscapes, must rejoice in Moroni's splendid travesty of Chastity, sitting with her sturdy legs wide apart and clutching her sieve with farm-muscled arms.

Looking at the faces of those men and women who lived in northern Italy 400 years ago raises the perennial question: is the mysterious art of portrait painting dying, and, if so, does it in these camera times matter? The skill of "capturing a likeness" trundles along in a marginal way, but how many painters still have the power to make a portrait which also satisfies as a work of art, a portrait where the subject and the style are truthfully bonded, giving the subject immortality? It does still happen, but it is a devilishly difficult art and not practised with deep commitment by very many. Yet cameras notwithstanding, exhibitions like the Moroni convince that it is an art which should be taken more seriously. Not for the creation of Academy conversation pieces, but in order to command consideration from future generations for the people in the paintings, which is consideration of a different kind from that given to images documented by mechanical means.

A characteristic of Moroni's portraits is the way they fill the canvas, the presence of the sitter undiminished by any demands of narrative or perspective. In our own century Braque, like many others, found "the hard-and-fast rules of perspective . . . a ghastly mistake", believing that they forced "the objects in the picture to disappear away from the beholder instead of bringing them within his reach as paintings should". This desire to make his images tangible was extended to his graphic work, of which a comprehensive selection may be seen at the French Institute in Queensberry Place until November 30. It includes all the early cubist etchings, the delicate images still appearing private and exciting despite the weight of art history now appending to them. Braque used lithography to re-create as nearly as possible the impression of a painting's surface rather than that of a coloured drawing, and the familiar birds and jugs and flowers are richly satisfying. The actual layout of the exhibition is disappointing—pictures displayed on pillars, screens and strange island arrangements in a rather uncoordinated manner. The catalogue (50p), in the form of a large folded sheet, provides a [illegible] reproduction of the lithograph Oiseau [illegible] (1961). The exhibition, arranged by the Arts Council [illegible] and will tour until July 1979, its next venue being the Aberdeen Art Gallery.

The Songmakers' Almanac
Purcell Room

William Mann

The story of Clara Schumann and the two principal men in her life was, in retrospect, a gift to the four most regular members of the team who call themselves The Songwriters' Almanac: Felicity Lott as Clara, Anthony Rolfe-Johnson as Schumann, Richard Jackson as Brahms. Each read from the diaries and letters of the character represented, while Graham Johnson, their pianist and the compiler of the programme, took the connecting role of history, supplying fact and comment when necessary.

As usual, there was more to *Robert and Clara . . . and Johannes* than some songs interspersed with readings, more even than the high reputation of the Almanac led one to expect. Each song followed most pertinently on the preceding speech, "Waldesgesprach" (treated as a duet) referring to the spooky tales told by Robert to the children, Brahms's "An ein Veilchen" to the album of pressed flowers that commemorated a holiday taken by Clara and Brahms after Schumann's death.

So, across the evening, the triple portrait was finely and lucidly etched, with moments of humour (sometimes unintended by the writers) and at least two of touching poignancy.

Miss Lott read Clara's account of her last visit to Schumann in the asylum, and then sang his song "Requiem"; at the end of Clara's life the old, arthritic lady sang Brahms's "Der Tod, das ist die kühle Nacht". It was still Miss Lott's lovely voice (once or twice earlier she had sounded shrill in the Purcell Room's acoustics), but her face appeared to have aged.

There were discreet touches of drama. Mr Jackson did not take the platform until Brahms joined the Schumann household; Mr Rolfe-Johnson moved to the far side of the dais when Schumann was taken to hospital. Miss Lott wore a black dress after Robert's death. Such things might have looked cheaply theatrical: the Almanac's natural good taste ensured that they didn't, and that the evening would have been less vivid without them.

By now it is hardly necessary to praise the three singers, each of whom contributed at least one memorable interpretation, or Mr Johnson whose protean accomplishments include an outstanding affinity for Schumann's piano parts in songs (he was less cogent in solos). One can only be thankful for The Songmakers' Almanac, their industry and artistry, and glad that Sunday's recital attracted a completely full house.

Eric Parkin
Purcell Room

Max Harrison

There are subtle differences between Fauré's Barcarolles nos 3 and 6, but Eric Parkin well conveyed the cool elegance which unites them. He made it clear, too, that there is considerable emotion in these works, lurking behind the monochrome clarity of their smoothly flowing textures.

If Fauré's Barcarolles derive, ultimately, from salon music, his Variations Op 73 are modelled on Schumann's Symphonic Studies. Yet the mentality behind them is so different that even strikingly different textures take on another meaning. Mr Parkin characterized each variation precisely but always made its relation to the theme fully apparent.

It was like seeing an object from a variety of unexpected angles. The centrepiece of his Friday evening recital was Frank Bridge's Sonata of 1924, a highly charged, even feverish work that suggests a very different perspective from that of Fauré. However, its rich proliferation of chromatic, even bitonal, detail is held in check by a masterly overall design. Indeed, it is remarkable that he could so firmly control the sudden inrush of elegiac and violent emotions registered by his postwar music, particularly as these remove it from what had gone before—from, for example, the idealized beauty of his symphonic poem *Summer*, to which the sonata seems obliquely to refer.

Never does the sustained intensity wear thin, and least of all in the finale, a desperate, haunted movement that is especially difficult to play. Mr Parkin's was a fine interpretation, very perceptive of the music's more recondite shades of feeling.

Mr Parkin's touch, in both senses, was scarcely less sure in some of Debussy's *Preludes* Book 2. "Feuilles mortes" and "Brouillards" may suggest autumn and winter respectively, yet the colours were at once warmer than in Fauré and less heated than in Bridge. "Puerto del Vino" evoked an old print rather than the implausibly tinted picture postcard at which some pianists aim, while "Bruyères" was affecting in its directness and simplicity.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

London debuts

It must be unique in the annals of this column for two outstanding new string quartets, both with a notably international membership, to hold their London debuts in the same week. The Orlando Quartet started with a beautifully warm and spontaneous performance of Haydn's Op. 76, No. 4, the piece with which they won first prize in the European Broadcasting Union's competition for string quartets held last month in Helsinki. "Civilized" is the word that one reaches for in connexion with Haydn's later scores, especially when played like this, exquisitely nuanced yet always moving forward, and with the music's balance and wholeness mirrored by the interpretation.

A finely resonant account was also given of Schubert's Quartet D.112, a youthful work from 1814, originally planned as a trio, and containing music that is more overtly dramatic than Haydn's, and also more lyrical, as in the Andante. Bartók's Quartet No. 5 was done with great vigour and lucidity, and, if one has met readings of sharper rhythmic incisiveness, we were left in no doubt of this masterpiece's weight and size. And there was a memorable feeling of repose in the twin slow movements.

● The International String Quartet was formed in 1974, and as an obvious consequence offered playing considerably more settled and mature than is usually discussed in this column. Indeed, their Bartók—Quartet No. 4—was even better than the Orlando's, having splendid force and pungency in the outer movements, while the twin scherzos, with their eery clicks and glissandos, were dreamlike in their vividness whilst at the same time bewitchingly insubstancial.

They were equally alive to the subtleties of Mozart's Quartet K.575, the Andante of which, for example, had a measured yet always sufficient expressiveness. The Minuet, too, was at once richly harmonious and full of rhythmic life. Ravel's is a different climate again, but the International team were equally well attuned to the sensuous refinements of his Quartet. They displayed remarkable verve and alacrity during the quick movements, in fact, showing just how well matched they are, and the *Très lent's* sheer loveliness of sound lingered in the mind long afterwards.

Bartók again provided some of the best moments of Cora Gordon's violin recital, this time with his Rhapsody No 1, which received a very idiomatic performance. She had begun with a crudely out-of-tune run-through of Mozart's Sonata K.296, but otherwise, with much greater fluency, offered pleasingly unhackneyed items such as Martinu's pointedly terse and astringent Madrigals. The sentiments of Fauré's more urbane world tended, in the opening Allegro of his Op. 13 Sonata, to elude both Miss Gordon and her pianist Lind Hendry. Yet they soon adapted to this music's broadly sweeping progress, and the Andante was shaded with particular deftness.

Better even than the Bartók, however, was Miss Gordon's account of a Sonata for unaccompanied violin by Paul Ben-Haim, a composer who had hitherto aroused no enthusiasms in me whatever. A declamatory and considerable piece, this explores the instrument's resources to expressive effect, and Miss Gordon clearly articulated its many voices.

Max Harrison

The Losers
ATV

Stanley Reynolds

Alan Coren, the editor of *Punch*, is undoubtedly one of the funniest men writing in England today. And Leonard Rossiter is probably one of the funniest actors in comedy. So how odd it is that ATV could put these two great talents together and come up with something as bad as the aptly named *The Losers* on ITV.

The world of professional wrestling is, of course, funny, but it is not all that hilarious. We could do with some jokes and some good character acting. The combination of the Rossiter-headed [illegible] crooked [illegible] funny but is such a well-trodden route that one looks for some new angle to it.

Unfortunately neither Mr Coren nor Mr Rossiter seemed able to come up with anything new. Instead Leonard Rossiter seemed to sleepwalk his ways through the plot and Alan Coren, who is known for his quick-fire jokes, appeared to be nodding over his typewriter. Mr Coren is the English S. J. Perelman and formerly a devastating television critic for *The Times*, but with the first episode of *The Losers* he turned in a very mediocre piece of work.

Perhaps one had been expecting too much. But after all, here were the country's leading wit and one of the best comic actors, and they combined to bore us half to death.

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Bernard Levin

Valour knows no barriers

I am sorry about the row in Wolverhampton that marred the town's Remembrance Day ceremonies, and not only because anything which mars such an occasion is matter for sadness. But the occasion for the unpleasantness is matter for greater concern than the unpleasantness itself.

The mayor of Wolverhampton, into whose province such matters apparently fall, acceded to a request from the Wolverhampton chapter of the Campaign for Homosexual Equality that they should be represented at the town's commemoration of the dead of the two world wars, and that they should be allowed to lay a wreath in memory of homosexuals who died alongside their heterosexual fellow-servicemen. At this, some of those who had intended being at the ceremony in a representative capacity, including those directing the official ex-servicemen's associations, declared that they would not attend, giving as their reason that they did not want to be associated with homosexuals in any way. And it seems that they did indeed refuse to turn up.

Which is a pity. To start with, it may be asked why the homosexual organization wished to be represented at the ceremony in its collective capacity; could not homosexuals simply go to the commemoration as individuals, and lay wreaths likewise? I suppose they could, and perhaps should; but such ceremonies are normally attended by individuals on behalf of groups, and I am not sure that individual wreaths are permitted except as enshrining such collectively-organized gestures; I don't think the public in general, for instance, is allowed to lay wreaths at the Cenotaph, at any rate before the Remembrance Day service.

More to the point, perhaps, is another question: why should homosexuals who died in war be commemorated *as homosexuals* at all? They were not, after all, fighting in that capacity, nor did they enlist or serve to further the aims of homosexuals (if, indeed, it is not nonsense to talk about "aims" in that context, which for my part I believe it is); they fought and died, I take it, for much the same reasons as those which inspired the heterosexuals alongside them. What separate standing, therefore, can they have in the matter?

To this, it seems, the Campaign for Homosexual Equality replies that homosexuals in the armed forces were often treated in a humiliating or cruel manner, not for any military failings, but merely for their sexual nature; that, ironically, the Nazis against whom they were fighting were particularly vicious towards homosexuals, many of whom were sent to concentration-camps merely because they were homosexuals, and that homosexuals in Nazi Germany had to wear a degrading badge, equivalent to the yellow star forced upon Jews; and that a collective action on Remembrance Day by homosexuals is now justified as marking a further step towards recognition of homosexuals as indistinguishable from all other citizens except for this one matter of their sexual orientation.

Anyway, whatever their reasons (and I have seen nothing to suggest that those who opposed their attendance in Wolverhampton questioned their motives), a group of homosexuals was invited to take part in the ceremony, and did so; with the result I have described.

A pity. And a greater pity, it seems to me, for what the incident reveals about some of Wolverhampton's heterosexuals. I presume that the town's heterosexual ex-servicemen did not, during the war, refuse to fight alongside homosexuals; I presume they would not claim that homosexuals fought less bravely; I take it they do not insist that heterosexuals who fell in battle should be segregated in death by being put in a different part of the cemeteries in which the war-dead lie. I presume, in short, that they would not say that homosexuals who died in the two world wars should not be remembered, and saluted, on Remembrance Day. Then why do they object to such commemoration being undertaken by the homosexuals of Wolverhampton? After all, the Second World War ended 33 years ago; many of the municipal representatives at the ceremony, and many of those attending on behalf of other organizations, would certainly be too young to have fought in it, so there can be no suggestion that the ceremony commemorating the fallen ought to be confined to the survivors.

> "I am sure that the dust in the graves of the fallen could not be separated into the constituent parts of heterosexual and homosexual"

The sad truth is, is it not, that the protests, and the boycotting, had nothing to do with the dead of the wars or the most fitting way of commemorating them. It was based on an ancient and lamentable revulsion against homosexuals on the part of people who would, in many instances, be horrified to find within themselves feelings of such revulsion against other groups (racial or religious, say), and might even if they did experience such feelings, stop to search their hearts to discover why such unjustifiable feelings were rooted there.

For it really is inexcusable to give way to feelings of generalized hostility against homosexuals, just as much as it is in the case of Jews or Negroes, or for that matter blind or disabled or ugly people. And it is inexcusable *not* because no homosexual can help being a homosexual, any more than a man can help having a darker skin than his fellows (though that is indeed true); it is inexcusable because there is nothing more "wrong" in being a homosexual than in being a Jew or for that matter being one-legged.

No doubt some homosexuals behave badly in their sexual lives; if that is matter for criticism, it must be criticism on the same basis as that applicable to heterosexuals who similarly invite it by their conduct. No doubt some homosexuals flaunt their sexual nature in a manner offensive to others; that is no less true, *mutatis mutandis*, of certain heterosexuals. Certainly, some homosexuals fail to understand the springs of society's failure to accept them fully and to ignore that particular part of their nature as the irrelevance, to every other part of their nature, that it is. But on the other hand, heterosexuals in general are far more guilty of a failure to understand the nature or position of homosexuals, or even to behave with common decency, towards them.

And now, it seems, this attitude is to be maintained even in death, and homosexuals who died in war—and for whom the bullets and bombs were, presumably, no less painful to stop than for heterosexuals—are, at least by some in Wolverhampton, deemed unworthy of commemoration.

We have it on the authority of St Matthew that in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as in the angels of God in heaven; similarly, we have it from St Paul that there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free, but Christ is all, and in all. Without wishing to claim the confidence of either of those distinguished sources, I would like to suggest that in the resurrection there will also be neither homosexual nor heterosexual. Even if I am wrong in that belief, I am sure that the dust in the graves of the fallen could not be separated even by the most vigilant Wulfrunian into the constituent parts of heterosexual and homosexual respectively, and that Last Post sounds much the same to the dead of both categories. I do not think that the people of Wolverhampton have anything to be proud of in this business, except for the mayor and those who supported her in her just and honourable decision.

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A memory of the grim winter of Stalin's blockade and the airlift which saved West Berlin



A plane-load of coal packed in soldiers' kitbags arrives at Templehof in August, 194

When starving Berliners refused food from the people next door

Thirty years ago, West Berliners were facing a grim winter. The most difficult days of Stalin's blockade—his attempt to incorporate the whole of Berlin into the Soviet orbit by preventing access to the Western Sectors—were still to come.

The Western occupation powers' airlift—"Operation Victuals", which began on June 26, 1948—helped, or rather enabled 2,200,000 Berliners to survive all the hardships. Their determination to remain free marked the turning-point when the occupation powers became the protecting powers. The impact of that change was not restricted to German-Allied relations in Berlin; it had its bearing on policy and politics in general.

The facts of the airlift are well known. A total of 2,325,809 tons of essential goods were flown to the city, in 277,804 flights over a period of 15 months. Sixty-eight members of the British and American air forces and eight Germans lost their lives during the airlift. They were honoured by the memorial in front of Tempelhof airfield.

A foundation to help the children of those killed was set up; in a different form it still provides scholarships today. The *reisenbomber*—which once dropped sweets on little parachutes—is still displayed, polished and shining, on Tempelhof airfield, as a reminder of the Skymasters, Dakotas, Yorks and Sunderlands that hummed incessantly over the city (a noise whose absence, when bad weather forced the operation to be interrupted, caused great anxiety).

Amazingly, 30 years on, precautions are still taken for the unlikely event of a repetition of the blockade. Just in case, large stockpiles of goods both for consumption and production are kept in the city and exchanged, where necessary, for new supplies at regular intervals.

The Wall, of course, continues to exist. Though built much later (in August, 1961) it is in fact a result of the success of the airlift.

Today, West Berlin's well-furnished houses and flats, comfortably warm on cold days, brightly-lit well-laid tables with food and drinks from all over the world, its ever-increasing number of automobiles and efficient public transport system make it hard for those who did not experience the winter of 1948-49 to imagine it. How could one live on so little, yet be optimistic, cheerful, full of ideas of what a better future should be like?

"Dry rations" were a special treat for Germans working for the United States media in post-war Berlin. They allowed me to entertain people every Tuesday evening, to stimulate discussions which lasted until the early hours. With everyone living on dehydrated potatoes, dried vegetables, egg powder and similar "appetizing" products, one had to use all one's imagination to make an interesting meal, perhaps with the help of a herring—exchanged for the margarine ration—or pepper—swopped for some slices of bacon—or a few fresh eggs from a gardener who wanted your sugar.

Candles were a necessity: the electricity was only switched on for four hours every day, and very odd hours at that. During the blockade one had to be prepared to go to the hairdresser or the dentist at midnight, and to start doing the ironing at four o'clock in the morning. Surgery sometimes had to be completed in candlelight after the electricity had been cut off.

The fuel that helped to provide warmth in the room on my Tuesday evenings came from many quarters, because the 251b coal ration (per person) for the whole winter did not go far. Moreover some brickettes had to be kept to take along t hairdresser or the docto that their premises coul kept warm.

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It would have been enough to get all the fresh potatoes and veget one wanted right next d in East Berlin, then "the S sector". The commi offered it at the expense o inhabitants of their zon bait; it was rejected by overwhelming majority of Berliners. Freedom, h regained after 12 years of dictatorship, meant mor them than food, fuel and tricity.

Stalin was mistaken believing that fencing p in, trying to starve them then offering them a bait v achieve his objective. It the opposite effect: it s reinforced the resolve of West Berliners and em that West Germany was r by the West as an ally partner. The blockade w failure, the airlift a great cess.

Gretel Spit

Eric Moonman, whose a on law and order appears this page on Tuesday, N ber 7, is Labour MP Basildon.

Will the IRA's 'dirty protest' work?

Belfast

At the same time as Mr Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Premier, was conducting his recent much-publicized lobbying tour in America, Father Raymond Murray, a little-known Roman Catholic priest from Co Armagh, was also talking to Congressmen on Capitol Hill. His audience consisted of many of the 116 members of the unofficial ad hoc congressional committee for Irish Affairs, and the crux of his emotive attack on the policy of the British Government was an account of conditions inside the three "H" blocks (so called because of their design, at the Maze Prison, where some 330 convicted IRA terrorists are now entering the eighth month of their so-called "dirty protest".

Coming when violence is apparently on the wane in Northern Ireland, the deadlock over the Provisional IRA's unique campaign for the restoration of special privileges for its many imprisoned volunteers remains the most bizarre and potentially dangerous dilemma facing those responsible for governing the province.

A transcript of the remarks made by Father Murray provides disturbing evidence of the type of propaganda war now being waged against Britain in the United States, a factor which is causing growing concern in both Stormont and Whitehall. In private, senior British officials acknowledge that although the protest is at present under control, the IRA would receive its greatest boost in years if one or a number of its men were to succumb to an infectious disease in the H blocks and die in a blaze of world publicity. For this reason special medical reports are presented to the Northern Ireland Office every 24 hours.

Describing conditions inside the cells, where the protesters are all refusing to wear prison clothes, wash, shave, or use any lavatory facilities, Father Murray told his congressional audience: "Two Rip Van Winkle types with emaciated white bodies and bedraggled hair and beards rise up from sponge mattresses that are half soaked in urine, clutching at their blanket or blue towel to cover their nakedness. . . . The once white walls of the tiny cells are now darkened with dried excrement. There is no furniture at all in the cells. You move from cell to cell and after a few hours, you are glad to get away. You have taken the precaution of eating nothing. But these men are there all night, all day, all week, some of them for years."

Given that journalists have been strictly refused any facilities to inspect the H blocks themselves, a recent plan to escort a press party to one of the unaffected blocks was abandoned on political advice, it is impossible to be certain of the truth or otherwise of the harrowing descriptions given by visiting churchmen such as Father Murray who are permitted entry for pastoral visits. But the picture he painted for the American politicians is believed to be reasonably accurate, although it studiously avoids mention of what British officials regard as the key point, the fact that all the squalor is entirely self-imposed.

The sordid nature of the protest makes rational discussion of it difficult, and even the most plainly worded accounts are not for the squeamish, or those who read their newspapers over the breakfast table. The following is a recent official Stormont description of the state of the blocks where the political status campaign is being mounted. Ironically, these should have been the pride of Britain's antiquated prison system, each costing £1m to build and competing easily with any cell accommodation now available in western Europe.

Describing the activities of the IRA prisoners, the official brief states: "They have deliberately damaged the contents of their cells, and at one time they were pouring urine and excreta out into the corridors through the observation slots in the cell doors, which they had broken. As a result, the governor of the prison has been obliged to order the removal of the beds and all other cell furniture, which were in any case being destroyed or damaged by the prisoners; the prisoners are now sleeping on mattresses. The corridors are no longer being fouled to the same extent, but this is only because the apertures in the doors have been modified by staff. Some of the protesting prisoners are still pouring their urine under cell doors, throwing excreta out of their windows and smearing it on the windows, the window frames, and outside wall".

Since that report was written, living conditions inside the H blocks have become even more surrealistic because of the introduction of two steam cleansing machines hired from a local contractor. Operated by a team clothed from head to foot in protective rubber overalls and wearing heavy goggles, the high-pressure machines are now on permanent duty in the three affected cell blocks. "The prisoners are removed while their cells are treated, and then returned. They immediately begin fouling them again so the process becomes like painting the Forth bridge; it is never finished", said one official source.

The latest protest began in September, 1976, when Ciaran Nugent became the first convicted Provisional IRA man to be refused political status following its abolition for all terrorists convicted of crimes committed after March of that year. He was soon joined "on the blanket" by other republicans and last March the protest was escalated, the unhygenic extras being superimposed on the earlier refusal to wear prison garb.

Perhaps because the squalor is self-inflicted and the details of conditions so unsavoury, the Provisionals have as yet failed to whip up the expected popular support for their campaign in Ulster. But this relative lack of enthusiasm on the local streets has been more than compensated for by the growth of interest abroad, particularly among Irish-Americans, whose backing for the IRA was flagging. Despite this the Government remains in no mood to compromise, pointing out that more than 70 of those involved are convicted murderers. "The prisoners concerned are in no sense political prisoners detained for what they believe", explained one official.

For their part, IRA leaders in Belfast and Dublin are known to regard the H block protest as probably the strongest propaganda card they now hold against Britain (already a start has been made on the now-familiar path to the European Human Rights Court). Every rash and minor stomach upset is quickly seized upon by the movement's able publicists, some of whom find it hard to disguise enthusiasm for the possibility of a headline-grabbing epidemic.

Graphic, and many would say exaggerated, accounts of the conditions in the H block are retailed weekly to republican sympathizers abroad, usually accompanied by crude pencil sketches of shivering prisoners cringing in their blankets or carrying out such activities as attending the weekly prison Mass half naked. The prose in the republican newspapers is often accompanied by poetry written by protesters anxious to boost their role as patriots. One recent composition by an anonymous versifier described only as "H5 blanket man", ended: "For it is criminals they call us. And criminals WE ARE NOT".

Thus after 10 years coping with every eventuality of the present Ulster crisis, British ministers now find themselves faced with a peculiarly Irish form of moral blackmail which its instigators are confident will eventually prove more effective than the hunger strike, the weapon originally used to persuade a now repentant William Whitelaw to first grant political status in June, 1972.

Christopher Walker

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LONDON DIARY

Happy birthday covers of buildings

The pleasure of ruins, from Angkor to Liverpool Street station, is one of the most romantic experiences available to short-lived mortals, who disappear more quickly than our buildings. Our ancient architecture is a glory of London. We should have far less of it to enjoy without the Historic Buildings Council, which is going to celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary at the end of the month with an exhibition in one of our most neglected palaces, the Banqueting House, Whitehall.

The work of the council may sound bureaucratic and boring, with all that architecturalese about listed-building consent for grade II buildings and section 12 of the Town and Country Amenities Act, 1974. In fact, the council is a happy band of eminent architects, planners, historians, and laymen, who give their time freely to advise the Secretary of State for the Environment on which buildings are too precious to lose.

Without their advice, to take a London example, there would be not even a ruin left of St Mary's, Rotherhithe, that enchanting eighteenth-century dockland village now finding new life as its warehouses are converted to homes and workshops. Since last year the council has been able to recommend grants for churches, but not cathedrals. To take another London example, it is helping to repair Butterfield's All Saints' Church in Margaret Street, the most richly decorated of all our High-Victorian churches.

Sir John Summerson and the Duke of Grafton have served on the council for all of its existence of a quarter of a century. Its chairman for the past three years has been Mrs Jennifer Jenkins, the wife of Mr Roy Jenkins, President of the European Commission. Her father was keen on castles.

At an early age she took pleasure in ruins and old towns. She read history at Girton. And she has been in love with old buildings ever since. On one of her commuting visits from Brussels last week she said: "England without its historic buildings is inconceivable. It would look like anywhere else in the world; well, like the Mid-West or Australia.

"Apart from the overriding historical and aesthetic reasons, there are sound economic reasons for preserving our historic buildings. Think of their effect on the environment and the tourist trade. People don't come to London for the sunshine.

"If we did not keep up our buildings, and if the pound rose so that Marks and Spencer no longer offered such bargains, what reason would there be for tourists to come here? The theatre and the opera? Once the performance is over, the money spent on the performing arts is gone. Money spent on buildings lasts.

The budget that the council disposes is pathetically inadequate in relation to the lasting importance of its work. It has £7.65m to disburse this year. Its grants, however small, make the difference between the survival or the loss of many of our monuments in brick or stone. So, happy birthday—and may its budget increase—to the Historic Buildings Council that finds a future for the best of our past.

Figure of Eyot

Praise to Vesta Municipalis, goddess of the radiators and tea-machines of local government, that Hounslow Borough Council has decided against annihilating Chiswick Eyot with some form of municipal H-bomb.

There was the environmental argument against its nihilist wheeze: this is a wild and bosky reach of the river astonishingly near to the heart of London, and should not be mucked about without overwhelming reason.

There was the rowing argument: where would John Snagge be on Boat Race day without Chiswick Eyot to invoke as a waymark? There was the literary argument: James Thomson was evidently looking at Chiswick Eyot when he wrote in *Spring* about the stately-sailing swan guarding his osier-isle, protective of his young. There was the tidal argument: the currents and silting patterns of the London river are notoriously unpredictable. Remove Chiswick Eyot, and who knows where a new mudbank might pop up, perhaps opposite the terrace of the Houses of Parliament?

There was also the cloacal argument: astonishingly a drain for surface water disembogues on the Eyot. There was the avian argument: Chiswick Eyot is the aviary for a gaggle of geese, a waddle of ducks, a sedge of herons, and a collective noun of other birds.

There was an archaeological argument: the eyot may have been the site of a prehistoric stilted village, and anybody who has set foot there can see why they needed stilts. There was the argument from the Pathetic Fallacy: only a rash fool tampers with Father Thames. There were the arguments of the basket-makers, and many others.

Hounslow council has now put forward a draft estimate of £40,000 for shoring up the erosion at the sharp, upstream end of the Eyot. If it is approved, piles will be driven in as the stilted villagers once found necessary, and a protective barrier built. Then the stately-sailing swan and the rest of us can sleep easy in our nests at nights.

Sea Phoenix

Operation Phoenix at the National Maritime Museum is almost over. On December 6 the new lower floor of the west wing will be opened, so completing the huge programme of modernization and redevelopment that has taken 10 years.

The nautical code-name Phoenix is not too extravagant a hyperbole. The Queen's House, a candidate for the title of the building with the grandest view in London, has been beautifully restored. The Old Royal Observatory has been rewound to display the historic clocks and telescopes that tell the story of the measurement of time and the discovery of longitude. The east wing has been redesigned overall.

The New Neptune Hall has



been reorganized to hold the world's largest ship in a bottle (the paddle-tug *Reliant*) and a flotilla of other craft. And the west wing has been rebuilt to contain three floors of galleries where before there were two.

The new ground floor to be opened next month deals with wooden shipbuilding, the way of a ship, boat archaeology, and yachting, with special bays for royal yachts.

Indoor oak

The oak in Harfield Park under which Elizabeth I was sitting when she heard of her accession is to be move doors on Friday. After years it is no longer fit to winter and rough weath

The oak was alive, bu dently effete, in 1846 whe toria and Albert visited field, and were presented the only acorn produced oak that year. It turned be sterile. In 1558, when beth heard that she was she is said to have kne neath the oak and excla "This is the Lord's doin is marvellous in our eyes

On Friday Lord Salisbu direct descendant of her Minister, will say words same effect about how a tree stump has become uable tourist attraction, when transplanted indoor

Horse sappers

For several years the w barricades on the park s Knightsbridge Barracks occupied half the road, s all motorists, civilian or tary, have to use a singl in each direction. What strous excavation is goi behind these fences? A trap? A new officers' m go with the architect's m around? A swimming po the horses? A nuclear f shelter?

The answer is nothing s tentous. They have spent years arguing about and r ing a leak of oil from a voltage electricity cable. hope to finish and remov barricades by February s traffic can flow more

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ans seem to be entering ge in their support for "dissidents" deprived human rights by the institutions of capital- Russians have, of ways had their heroes st, such as Miss Angela d the "Wilmington the main thrust of ument in the human bate has usually been Soviet Union is more about economic and hts, such as the right han the right of indivi- oppose or disrupt a ociety, which by defini- irs, of course) repre- interests of the com- ecently, however, they making a particularly bout Mr Dean Reed, an folk singer arrested ass during a protest nuclear power station e even taken a leaf our stern book by persuad- inent Soviet musicians telegram to President

ably this is seen in as a tit-for-tat response n campaigns on behalf dissidents. Perhaps it ed to discourage such s, or perhaps it is inten- dy to demonstrate to a audience that the is have no moral right to others on the sub- uman rights. Whatever n it is a welcome devel- The western view, during the Helsinki ns and thereafter, is untry's internal respect n rights is a legitimate or international discus- rmally this was also by the Russians when ed the Helsinki Final h its now well-known VII saying that respect for human rights "is an essential factor for the peace, justice and well-being necessary to ensure the development of friendly relations and cooperation".

But the Russians have never fully accepted western interpretations. They say they accept the right of mutual criticism but reject attempts to link the internal affairs of a sovereign country to its state relations with another country. They will sometimes allow special exceptions for cases whether where they regard violations of human rights as particularly blatant and sweeping, such as South Africa, but they insist that they themselves cannot possibly be included in such a category and that questions of individual or collective persecution should not be allowed to intrude on east-west detente.

By taking up individual cases in the United States they do not wholly depart from this doctrine. They are not, after all, demanding the release of Mr Reed as a condition of reaching a Salt agreement. They are, however, weakening their general objection to the discussion of individual cases and thereby strengthening the west's claim that such discussion is right and proper and does not constitute interference. The more the Russians take up western cases the less they can legitimately complain when the west does the same.

There are also two other reasons for pleasure. One is that the more the Soviet press discusses cases of alleged injustice in the west the more sensitized to these problems the Soviet public should become, for Soviet readers can hardly read such stories regularly without beginning to ask questions about their own system. The other reason is that the vigilant Soviet press may from time to time give publicity to genuine abuses of human rights in the west. There are, unfortunately, plenty of such cases, and President Carter, to his credit, has always claimed that he is not mounting a moral crusade against other countries but trying to sensitize people to abuses of the problem of human rights at home as well as abroad. It is unlikely, of course, that Soviet aims are as pure as this but that is no reason to deny the Soviet press the right to take part in the debate. If it happens to spot a genuine abuse it should not be rebuffed. Nor should Soviet interest in Mr Reed prejudice an objective examination of his case.

The problem is to find agreed criteria. The Soviet Union always claims that it is merely punishing dissidents for breaking the law, and that its laws are its own affair. It likes to compare its dissidents with western terrorists. This is an interesting indication of how dangerous they seem to the Soviet establishment but it is, of course, an absurd comparison. The proper comparison is with those western dissidents, including communists, who merely speak or write against the system. They are not usually breaking the law whereas Soviet dissidents frequently are. It is the elastic Soviet laws as much as anything else that violate human rights and it is quite legitimate for the west to criticize these even when, in a purely technical sense, they may, though by no means always, be properly applied. Perhaps the Soviet press would like to take up this point in the context of its campaign for Mr Reed.

'ARDS DEMOCRACY IN BRAZIL

w's congressional elec- Brazil are being held at point in the country's ient towards a more litical system, fourteen ter the armed forces r power. The elections irectly affect the regime since whoever wins, it is Arena, the official r the Brazilian demo- lovement (MDB), the d opposition party, ulti- ver will remain with the rces, as it has after pre- ections. But the new is to have a stronger than its predecessors as of the ending of certain cy powers held by the it. So the election will stage for a new phase in development, both politi- economic, by electing mbers with which the it-elect, General Joao Figueiredo, will have to ien he takes office in

are several ways in the cards are stacked the opposition. One-third members of the Senate appointed by the regime, tance. President Geisel eneral Figueiredo have le to appear on television attacks on the MDB, g it, among other things, ig under communist in- while the MDB has been the right to make politi- ements on television. But ctions are nevertheless a the regime's popularity, active part played by the two generals suggests they are afraid that the vote might go against Arena, at least in the Chamber of Deputies.

One of the main points at issue is how far and how fast the process of liberalization should go. General Figueiredo talks of heading towards full democracy in Brazil, but adds that it can be done only gradually, and then goes on to suggest that it will happen faster if Arena is given a majority. MDB leaders have been calling for direct elections for the whole of Congress, for amnesty for all those charged with political offences in recent years, and for the calling of an assembly to write a new constitution. But the campaign has also covered the whole range of government policies, particularly in the economic sphere. For the average Brazilian voter, who is required by law to go to the polls, the most immediate preoccupations are in fact such issues as the rate of inflation, now running at just over 40 per cent a year, and the MDB is expected to do well out of discontent of that sort, particularly in the big cities such as Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro. Arena is likely to do well on the other hand, in the more backward areas like the north-east.

The two issues, the political and the economic, are linked because until recently the government could pursue its economic policies—such as rapid industrialization, the promotion of exports and wage control—without much pressure from public opinion. The Congress had little power and strikes were banned. But this situation is already changing with the greater freedom over the past year or so, in the press, for instance, though not on television or radio. There have been strikes in São Paulo. The process could be taken farther if members of the new Congress takes advantage of their greater powers. It is generally recognized that the Brazilian economy has made enormous strides during the years of military rule, but it is also acknowledged, even in official circles, that the country's poor have received few of the benefits, and there is much talk of the need for redistribution of incomes. It remains to be seen what will be done once the rhetoric of the campaign is over.

The regime will in any case be facing a more volatile situation in Brazil, even before General Figueiredo takes office, as the pressures for liberalization build up further. One of its difficulties is the need to take austerity measures to reduce inflation, and the reactions this could produce. So there are widespread fears that at some point in the future, once the elections are over, there may be a move to restrict freedoms again under pressure from hardliners in the armed forces. The alternative is for General Figueiredo to take account of the desire for change and to continue the progress that Brazil has made towards greater democracy.

ANACHRONISTIC SAFEGUARD

od wishes for the Prince les which will be very and very sincerely enter- on this his thirtieth birth- e not wholly divorced from athetic curiosity about his ge plans. It is a pardon- uriosity, going beyond the appetite for royal romances ouching on the question of succession to the throne. es, Prince Charles himself een frank enough to pro- publicly something for lation to work on. He has hat he thinks thirty would suitable age for a man in circumstances to marry gh it was several years ago he said it); and he has essed the view that, the ty of the limelight in which King's consort walks being nusual and straining, there ich to be said for the choice meone who is reared to it. e list of eligible young s reared to the royal round might win the prince's heart t long and is disproportion- strong in Roman Catholics. s, as the law stands, preclu- from choosing a Roman olic bride if he and his heirs to be eligible to succeed to throne. The Act of Settle- t of 1701, which settled the n on the heirs of the body of ia, widow of the Elector of over, provided also that any on who shall marry a papist mes thereby excluded from, incapable of, inheriting the crown, and the people are absolved from their allegiance.

The wording of that section of the Act is loose, sounding more polemical than statutory to the modern ear. The word "papist" as applied to the consort of any person on, or in line to, the throne is not defined or made subject to any religious test, whereas the religion of the sovereign and heirs themselves is subject to certain tests. It might be argued that "papist" as understood at the time had a political as well as a religious connotation, and the political connotation being obsolete the word has no current reference. But it would be a bold heir apparent who undertook to argue that before the House of Lords, and a bold judicial committee of that House which accepted the argument and so took it upon itself to upset the general understanding of the constitutional position. If that understanding is to be changed Parliament must do it. So as things are, if the prince were to marry a Roman Catholic princess, he would have to disclaim his inheritance—to the huge regret of the Queen's subjects.

Many of the Queen's subjects who are not adherents of the reformed churches, and some of those who are, would consider this limitation on the prince's choice, unnecessary, anachronistic, and very possibly irksome at this time. The distribution of other religions than Christianity and of no religion among the people of the United Kingdom (let alone the people of the other countries of the Commonwealth of which the Queen is head), and the prevalence of an ecumenical sentiment among Christians, reinforce that view.

Parliament might very well consent to an amendment of the Act of Settlement removing the bar to the sovereign's marriage to a Roman Catholic. Much more difficulty would be likely to be encountered in Parliament over a proposal to allow the sovereign himself to be a Roman Catholic and to remove the requirement that every person coming into possession of the crown shall join in communion with the Church of England. Yet the first change might be of little practical use without the second so long as Rome lays on the consciences of parents its present injunction concerning the religious upbringing of their children.

Full intercommunion between the Church of England and the Church of Rome, if that in due course can be achieved, would remove a large part of these difficulties. In the meantime it would hardly be wise to approach Parliament with the proposal to remove the bar to the sovereign's marriage to a Roman Catholic without prior assurance from Rome that its requirements concerning the issue of mixed marriages would not apply in such a case.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'The Observer' libel case

From the Editor of The Observer

Sir, Your leading article today (November 11) misrepresents the result of the libel action brought by Miss Vanessa Redgrave and others against *The Observer*, and the conclusions you then draw from the result do not follow. This may be because you accepted the gloss placed on the case by Miss Redgrave and her brother at their press conference, which you reported in detail, rather than the statement issued by *The Observer's* solicitors on Friday, which you did not report at all.

You say that "the unfairness to the plaintiffs is that, though having shown to the satisfaction of the jury that *The Observer* article had been defamatory and wrong, they are now saddled with a bill for tens of thousands of pounds in costs". The jury did *not* find that *The Observer* article was "wrong" in its chief revelations about Miss Irene Gorst's experiences at the hands of the 'Workers' Revolutionary Party. It found, when asked directly, that not all the words in the article were proved; but the jury went on to find that, having regard to the truth of the major part of the article, such words as were unproved did not materially injure the reputation of the plaintiffs.

In short, the jury found that the article was in part true and in part unproved, but that the part that was unproved was unimportant in relation to the article as a whole. It was for this reason that *The Observer* won the case and the plaintiffs lost it. Had the verdict been that the significant facts in the article were wrong, which is what you state, then the result would have been the other way round. Miss Redgrave is completely mistaken in saying that the verdict "cleared" her party of the allegations made against it.

You say it "has not been revealed" whether or not *The Observer* made a payment into court. It was revealed in open court, immediately after the jury's verdict was known, that *The Observer* had made such a payment.

In your headline you say "Damages are not for juries to assess". The implication is that the jury in this case did assess damages and assessed them at nil. This is not so. The question of damages did not arise because the case was decided in *The Observer's* favour.

After this daisy-chain of errors you conclude that "*The Observer* has not come out of the case with credit". What happened here is that *The Observer* published an important investigation into the disturbing activities of a political group in this country. After a three-year legal battle and a 13-day public hearing in the High Court, a jury found our story substantially true. What more could a newspaper be expected to do? I submit that the major errors in your own editorial do no credit to *The Times*.

Yours faithfully,
DONALD TRELFORD, Editor,
The Observer,
8 St Andrew's Hill, EC4.
November 11.

* The leading article was based on an over-compressed report of the jury's findings, and the criticisms of *The Observer* which it contained were based on this error. They are naturally withdrawn with our apologies. The mistaken report was corrected in yesterday's *Times*.

Henry Moore in the Park

From Mr N. C. Pearson

Sir, There must be many philistines like the writer who, while admiring the skill with which modern sculptors create interesting shapes from lumps of metal, are not impressed, far less inspired, by modern fashions in sculpture. We remember the story of the emperor's clothes and remain unmoved.

From its inception, many of us feared that the exhibition beside the Serpentine would end in pressure from avantgardistes for retention of some at least of the exhibits in situ. This, of course, is exactly what has happened.

May I point out to Lady Birk (letter, November 9), who lives in St John's Wood and who has been "able to arrange for five of the sculptures to stay in the park longer than originally arranged," that many residents of this area will object strongly, if this period is extended to permanency. It is not our case that the sculptures are an affront to "human, ornithological or horticultural life"—though some dogs seem to treat them as such. It is the spectacle of these vast and incongruous metal structures on the green and unspoiled slopes around the Serpentine that many of us, who use the park daily, find objectionable.

In common with many others, I hope Lady Birk will ensure—with respect to Henry Moore—that the five exhibits do not remain permanently: in particular the gigantic croquet hoop that so disfigures the North Bank.

Yours faithfully,
NORMAN PEARSON,
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Tate's hidden delights

From Dr Anthony Hobson

Sir, The Director of the Tate Gallery, in pointing out the popularity of J. W. Waterhouse's painting "The Lady of Shalott", November 9, might in fairness have mentioned the other three major pictures by this artist which *have* been hidden away in the basement and warehouses of the Tate for years and years and years.

They are "Consulting the Oracle", "The Magic Circle" (a Chantrey Bequest purchase) and the superb "St Eulalia", which secured Waterhouse's election as ARA in 1885.

It must be considered unfortunate, to say the least, that the Tate found itself unable to make any of these pictures available for loan to the current exhibition of J. W. Waterhouse's work in Sheffield.

Yours faithfully,
ANTHONY HOBSON,
Lanchester Polytechnic,
Priory Street,
Coventry.

Security of tenure for council tenants

From Mr Thomas Hearn

Sir, It is symptomatic of the present confused thinking on the subject of housing that a "consultation paper" on the Government's proposals to extend security of tenure to local authority and housing association tenants should be published when the government printers are on strike, so that none of those who are ostensibly being consulted are able to read it.

The proposals, as briefly reported in *The Times* (November 7), may seem superficially attractive, but, as with so much recent housing legislation, the implications and consequences of implementing them do not appear to have been thought through.

Has any serious consideration been given to the congestion which will result in the county courts if any application for possession by a local authority or housing association can be challenged as to the motives in serving it, or the suitability of alternative accommodation offered? It already takes up to three months from the expiry of a notice to quit to obtain a county court hearing in London. This period may well rise to 12 months.

What is the effect likely to be on the already massive rent arrears of local authorities and the far smaller ones of housing associations? Council rent arrears totalled nearly £35m in March, 1976 (the last published figures), and were rising fast. This measure must inflate them faster still and force the few remaining housing associations that are still solvent, and do not yet rely upon revenue deficit grants, into total dependence upon the taxpayer.

If the recovery of possession becomes so lengthy and uncertain a business, as it surely will, must not the consequences be that short-life property is held empty rather than being temporarily relet, and that applicants for housing whose records or circumstances suggest that they may present risks will be avoided wherever possible?

There will be more complaints about "the scandal of empty buildings", and those who are most in need of publicly assisted housing will be put at a disadvantage.

Most important of all, what will be the consequence upon the effective utilisation of local authority and housing association accommodation? The inevitable effect of the Government's proposals, protest though they may to the contrary, will be to extend the "status of irremovability" and the endemic condition of overcrowding existing alongside under-occupancy, which now characterises the private sector, into the public sector. Thousands of people will be compelled unnecessarily to endure unsuitable or unsatisfactory housing for years on end because the ability of housing authorities to make sensible use of their housing stock will be substantially diminished.

Council and housing association tenants already enjoy the very real security of knowing that they will, in practice, be housed for life if they abide by the conditions of their tenancies, and that their prospects of different accommodation to meet changing needs are immeasurably better than those of private tenants.

There is no evidence of widespread abuse of the present system and no evidence of any general demand for change.

There is, in short, no reason for introducing legislation that will have far-reaching and harmful effects, except a mistaken belief, rigorously fostered by a few pressure groups, that it will in some way uplift the status of the council tenant.

Yours faithfully,
THOMAS HEARN,
207 Waterloo Road, SE1.
November 9.

Czech human rights

From Mr Stan Newens, MP for Harlow (Labour-Cooperative), and others

Sir, As you have reported (November 8), an appeal has recently been issued by the Charter 77 movement in Czechoslovakia addressed to Dr Waldheim, Secretary-General of the United Nations, and to all heads of state who have signed the Helsinki accords. The appeal draws attention to "the constantly deteriorating situation concerning human rights" in Czechoslovakia.

Ample evidence for the truth of this statement has been provided in reports from that country and in the 21 documents the Charter 77 movement has sent to the Czechoslovak authorities. Since none of these has been answered, the movement's spokesmen have now made this, their first, appeal to powers outside the country.

They ask that the incidents listed in the seven pages of their letter be investigated and that the Czechoslovak Government be urged "to respect its obligations as laid down in the treaty it signed".

May we urge through your columns that an early response be made to this appeal by all concerned with the upholding of human rights. We understand that an international conference of United Nations Associations will shortly be meeting in Czechoslovakia and we trust that there, too, the appeal will receive immediate attention.

It would be important to enquire about one of the most recent and serious incidents in which an attempt is being made to pin criminal charges on Charter supporters. We refer to the arrest of Dr Jaroslav Sabata, a Charter spokesman who has already served a long term as a political prisoner.

Dr Sabata is alleged to have assaulted a policeman, although witnesses of the arrest state that he was, in fact, beaten up at the police station. Moreover, he suffers from a serious heart condition and renewed imprisonment may well endanger his life.

Cases like this attest to the prolonged harassment suffered by Charter spokesmen, which deserves the condemnation of international opinion.

Yours faithfully,
STAN NEWENS,
AUDREY WISE,
ERIC S. HEFFER,
PHILLIP WHITEHEAD,
House of Commons.

Crisis in prison service

From Mr David Keith

Sir, I have had the perhaps unusual privilege of being a magistrate, and then joining the Probation Service. I had many experiences in the latter which I wish I had had before I attempted the former role. But none was more striking, nor perhaps more relevant to the present controversy, than meeting at regular and frequent intervals men (and some women) sentenced to terms of imprisonment or lengthy periods of remand in custody.

They all, except a few old lags, passed through the same two phases: first, for two or three weeks, an utter loathing of their situation, depression and a "can't you do anything to get me out of here, it's driving me mad?" attitude, and then they adjusted, became relaxed and jocular, having completely come to terms with their predicament.

I am not arguing that short prison sentences are necessarily effective, but merely that they would seem to be just as effective, and possibly more so than longer ones. And of course I am not referring to criminals from whom society must be protected.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID KEITH,
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Blandford,
Dorset.
November 8.

From Professor Phyllida Parsloe

Sir, Mr Darlington, in his letter of November 7, suggests that an immediate way to reduce tension in prisons would be to release, at the halfway point in their sentence, all prisoners serving a sentence of two years and under.

At present these and other prisoners in the English, Scottish and Welsh prisons are released at the two-thirds point of their sentence, unless they have forfeited part of this remission time by bad behaviour.

Mr Darlington describes this as a radical proposal. It becomes less radical when one remembers that in Northern Ireland all prisoners are now released at the halfway stage, provided their sentence is over one month, unless they forfeit remission time.

To apply the same remission to all English, Scottish and Welsh prisoners might not only defuse the present situation and allow time for constructive planning: perhaps it would also correct an apparent injustice.

My experience as a member of the Parole Board for Scotland leads me to believe that this difference is known and resented by at least some Scottish prisoners.

It certainly influenced my thinking when the board were considering for release on parole prisoners whose co-accused had been transferred to Northern Ireland and might already be free.

Yours faithfully,
PHYLLIDA PARSLOE,
Professor of Social Work,
University of Bristol.
November 8.

Fasten your seat belts

From Lord Ashby, FRS

Sir, Mr Ronald Bernstein (November 10) writes that the arguments for and against the compulsory use of seat belts are fairly even balanced, except for the difficulty of enforcement, which tips the balance against making it a criminal offence not to wear seat belts. May I add an argument which tips the balance the other way?

A report on road accidents in Great Britain, published by the Department of the Environment in 1976, records the casualties to front seat drivers in automobiles in Britain for the year 1974. There were 19,211 casualties among persons wearing seat belts, of which 3,952 (20.6 per cent) were fatal or serious; and there were 96,327 casualties among persons not wearing seat belts, of which 26,485 (27.5 per cent) were fatal or serious.

It is reasonable to assume that if the 96,327 victims had been wearing seat belts only 20.6 per cent of them would have suffered death or serious injury. This would have meant a reduction in fatal or serious casualties of 6,642 persons, ie, about 128 fewer deaths or serious injuries *per week*.

When this matter comes to be debated in Parliament, I hope that those who are inclined to oppose the compulsory use of seat belts will feel some responsibility for the 128 deaths or serious injuries per week which may be a consequence of their opposition.

Yours truly,
ASHBY,
House of Lords.
November 10.

From Mr Christopher Todd

Sir, Mr Ronald Bernstein, QC, suggests that, if it becomes a criminal offence not to wear seat belts, it will impose a new burden upon the police and thus divert their attention from other matters.

May I point out that, if it becomes compulsory to wear a seat belt, it will significantly reduce the number and degree of injuries sustained in road accidents.

As a result, police officers will in fact spend less time dealing with accidents and, hopefully, less time preparing fatal accident files. They will then be able to spend the time saved on other duties, including enforcement of seat belt laws.

Yours faithfully,
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November 10.

Regulating the money supply

From Professor A. P. L. Minford

Sir, Lord Kaldor (November 11) confuses the operating techniques used by the monetary authorities with their aims. Variations in interest rates can be used to control the quantity of money, ie to keep it as close as possible to a certain desired path, indeed that is the practice of many central banks currently operating with monetary targets (eg the Bundesbank, the US Federal Reserve Board, and the Bank of England). Others use variations in the "monetary base" (eg the Swiss National Bank). Other operating techniques can also be used, and often are.

If the monetary authorities choose to control the money supply, then other economic variables have to adapt to the monetary target. In the very short run it is interest rates that have to adapt principally, but prices will also adapt swiftly, as economic agents perceive the implications of monetary fixity and incorporate it in their expectations.

In the UK and other European countries the empirical evidence shows that the exchange rate reacts sensitively to monetary conditions and is a powerful channel through which prices react. But there is also international evidence that wages react to price expectations formed on the basis of expected monetary growth.

Under truly fixed exchange rates the authorities foregn control of the domestic money supply, but they substitute for it the direct pegging of the price level to the world price level. This is feasible and would be desirable with a low world inflation rate.

But should a government float the exchange rate (or frequently devalue) and *refuse* to control the money supply then indeed it faces problems. For then it has to control the price level by some other means. Yet there is no evidence that direct control of wages and prices in a market economy have a significant impact other than temporary on the rate of inflation. Money supply in these circumstances adapts to other economic variables, but it is precisely the lack of an effective monetary control mechanism that is the cause of the resulting inflation.

Unfortunately an experiment on these lines was carried out in 1972/3; the results were an inflation that reached dangerous levels. Policy however persisted in a vein as dangerous since even though monetary growth fell in recessionary conditions the Government lost control of the public sector deficit. It was only at the end of 1976 that this situation was brought to an end with the present regime of monetary targets and a reduced deficit.

The continued obsession with incomes policy and the failure to enunciate a clear programme for future reduction of both monetary growth and the deficit are all the more regrettable and difficult to understand.

Yours faithfully,
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November 7.

European monetary union

From Mr James Kennedy

Sir, During the 1975 referendum the Government, recognizing that EMU would be very much against Britain's interests, found it advisable to state that it would not occur. Contained in its leaflet *Britain's New Deal in Europe* is the assurance: "There was a threat to employment in Britain from the movement in the Common Market towards an economic and monetary union. This would have forced us to accept fixed exchange rates for the pound, restricting growth and so putting jobs at risk. This threat has now been removed."

It was on this assurance and the further guarantee that Parliament would retain its right to repeal the accession treaty that the "Yes" vote was obtained.

As Economic and Monetary Union would both contravene the assurance and diminish a future Parliament's power to repeal, and as EMU has been declared a threat, is there any reason to believe that it could, or should (considering the referendum assurance) take place?

Yours faithfully,
JAMES KENNEDY,
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Taunton,
Somerset.
November 9.

Hamburgers

From Professor Constance Hieatt

Sir, Mrs Leapman's hamburger recipe (November 8) horrified me. I am dangerously allergic to mustard, but I have eaten thousands of hamburgers in my native US and my adopted country of Canada without being thus poisoned.

Nowadays one does have to watch out for a tendency on the part of hamburger stands to fuss up their product with mustard and relish, which used to come only with hot dogs: the traditional (and *optional*) additions to hamburgers are raw onion and catsup. Most discriminating American cooks of my acquaintance prefer chuck to round on the grounds that hamburger *needs* some fat to be "cooked out", but there is at least room for disagreement on that—and not on adding mustard!

As for meatloaf, that is a truly controversial subject. When the syndicated columnist Ann Landers published her family recipe some years back the deluge of mail was such as to make "meatloaf" a byword for dangerous topics for years. Personally, I favour using wheat germ instead of breadcrumbs...

Yours sincerely,
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Wytham,
Oxford.
November 9.

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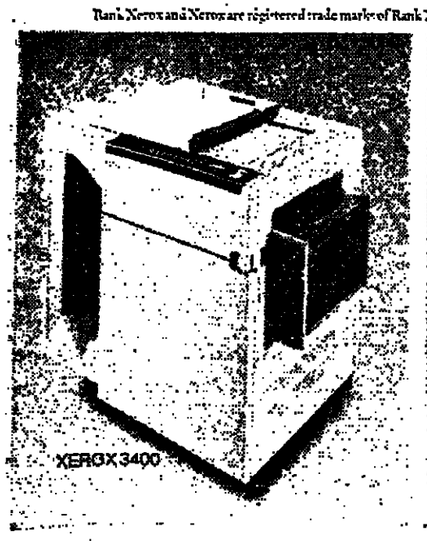
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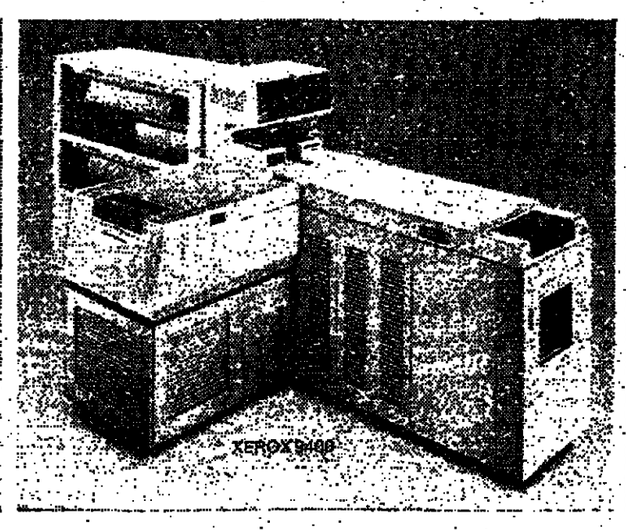
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; 1,450 people attended.

Forthcoming marriages

Dr the Hon C. R. T. Chubb and Dr A. N. Manning
The engagement is announced between Charles, youngest son of Lord and Lady Hayter, of Ashtead House, Ashtead, Surrey, and Nicky, daughter of Mr and Mrs Charles Manning, of Moor Lane House, Sarratt, Hertfordshire.

Mr I. C. S. Morpeth and Miss A. S. Devitt
The engagement is announced between Iain, elder son of Mr and Mrs Douglas Morpeth, of Shawley Green, Surrey, and Angela Susan, daughter of Sir Thomas Devitt, Bt, and Lady Devitt, of Colchester, Essex.

Mr A. N. Tyler and Miss J. D. Blackley
The engagement is announced between Antony, youngest son of Major-General Sir Leslie and Lady Tyler, of Higher Corsbie East, Haslemere, Surrey, and Jane, only daughter of Mr S. R. Blackley, OBE, MBE, and Mrs Blackley, of Corsbie West, Newton Stewart, Wigtownshire.

Dr A. P. M. Boyd and Dr C. M. Gilbert
The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs J. P. M. Boyd, of Milverton, and Catherine, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. C. R. Gilbert, of Sevenoaks, Kent.

Mr S. S. Marshall and Miss C. L. Anderson
The engagement is announced between Stephen, son of the late Dr F. S. Marshall and of Dr M. R. Marshall, of Wisborough Green, Sussex, and Carol, daughter of Captain and Mrs R. H. Anderson, of Sanderstead, Surrey.

Mr R. O. Plender and Miss P. C. Ward
The engagement is announced between Richard, younger son of Mr and Mrs George Plender, of Streatham, London, SW16, and Patricia Claire, elder daughter of the late Mr John Ward and of Mrs Ward, of The Old Vicarage, Salehurst, Robertsbridge, Sussex.

Mr S. R. Rubinstein and Miss J. F. Detmar
The engagement is announced between Simon Robert, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Richard Rubinstein, of Sunningfields Road, NW4, and Jill Felicity, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Edward Detmar, of Hatch End, Middlesex.

Royal College of Surgeons

At a meeting of the council of the Royal College of Surgeons of England held yesterday the Hallett Prize was awarded to Dr A. G. Twistleton-Wykeham-Fiennes, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London.

University news

Oxford
Awards
Johnson memorial prizes (graduate): H. G. Adam, Worlom College, and A. J. Booth, Worcester College; commended: Susan P. Buckley, Jesus College.
George Webb Medley junior prizes: C. J. Boyd, Christ Church, and D. G. Yates, Oriel College; proxime accessunt: N. Rankin, Christ Church, and J. Vickers, Oriel College.
Gibbs prize in law: N. A. Bamfield, scholar, St John's College; proxime accessit: S. F. Leal, scholar, Balliol Coll; Book prizes: T. G. J. Bahgan, University College; A. Wilson, minor scholar, Queen's College.
Gibbs prize in modern history: L. K. Walker, exhibitioner, Magdalen College; proxime accessit: M. F. Johns, scholar, and J. Vickers, Oriel College.
Craven scholarship: K. D. Cameron, scholar, and S. D. Tabois, exhibitioner, Keble College; John R. Coxhead memorial prize: J. R. Griffin, Lincoln College.
Stanhope prize: Lucy Sutherland memorial prize: Miss S. Bowers, Lady Margaret Hall.
COLLEGE NOTES: Cadbury exhibitions: Stanley G. Cooper, Jesus College, formerly of Whitgift School; Burton-on-Trent Centenary scholarship: Wadsworth for Trinity term, 1978: Ursula E. Everest, MA, Headmistress, Sherrill Costello School; Basildon and Caux M. C. Eagleton, MA, St Theresa's RC Girls' School, Lewisham.

Dinners

Dinner
Lord Mayor's Banquet
The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord Chancellor and the Prime Minister were among the speakers at a banquet in Guildhall yesterday evening given by the Lord Mayor, Alderman Sir Kenneth Cork, accompanied by the Lady Mayoress and the Sheriffs and their ladies, for the outgoing Lord Mayor, Air Commodore and Alderman the Hon Sir Peter Vanneck, and Lady Vanneck. Among others present were:
The High Commissioner for Cyprus and Mrs Ashiotis, the Ambassador of the German Democratic Republic and Frau Kern, the Ambassador of Bolivia and Senora de Miranda Valdivia, the Ambassador of the Yemen Arab Republic and the Ambassador of Liberia, the High Commissioner for Canada and Mrs Martin, the Ambassador of Spain and the Marquesa de Pertusa, the Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany and Frau Roth, the Ambassador of Denmark and Mme Christensen, the High Commissioner for Singapore and Mrs Jek, the Acting High Commissioner for Mauritius and Mrs Nath, the Acting High Commissioner for Barbados and Mrs Jordan, the Bishop of London and Mrs Ellison, the Lord Chamberlain and the Lady Maclean, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mrs Healey, the Secretary of State for the Environment and Dr Shore, the Lord Chief Justice and Lady Widgery, the Master of the Rolls and Lady Denning, the President of the Family Division, Lord Justice and Lady Bridge, Lord Justice and Lady Waily, the Solicitor General and Mrs Archer, the Chairman of the GLC and Mrs Hole, the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster, the Mayor and Mayoress of Kensington and Chelsea, the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff and Lady Brunton, representatives of Parliament, the Civil Service, the Armed Forces, judges, banking, commercial and professional institutions, masters of livery companies, personal aides of the Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs, aldermen, common councilmen and officers of the Corporation of London and their ladies.

HM Government
Mr John Smith, Secretary of State, Department of Trade, was host at a dinner held at 1 Carlton Gardens last night in honour of the United Kingdom/German Democratic Republic Joint Commission.

Lady Redshaw
Sir Leonard Redshaw, President of the Welding Institute, and Lady Redshaw gave a dinner party at the United Oxford and Cambridge University Club last night in honour of the 1978 Welding Institute medallists.

Wolfe Society
The Wolfe Society's annual dinner marking the 251st anniversary of the birth of Major-General James Wolfe was held in Westerham last night. Mr J. St. A. Warde presided and Brigadier M. D. K. Dauncey was the guest of honour.

Anglo Norse Society
Prince and Princess Michael of Kent and Crown Prince Harald of Norway were the guests of honour at the anniversary dinner of the Anglo Norse Society held at Clothworkers' Hall yesterday. The guests were received by Mr Neil Marten, MP, chairman of the society, and Mrs Marten. Others present included:
The Norwegian Ambassador and Mrs Jacobsen, Mr Kjosiv Egeland; General Sir Peter and Lady Whiteley, Sir Eric and Lady Scott and Mr F. Judd, MP, and Mrs Judd.

Today's engagements

The Prince of Wales will switch on the Christmas lights in Regent Street, 6.
Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester and the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester attend state banquet given for President of Portuguese Republic and Senhora Ramalho Eanes, Buckingham Palace, 8.
Exhibition: English engraved silver, Victoria and Albert Museum, 10-5.50.
Lectures: Patterns of patronage in arts, Royal Institution, Albemarle Street, 5.30. Some early altarpieces, National Gallery, 1. History of the manners of the age—chairs, Victoria and Albert Museum, 1.15.
Recitals: Organ, St Peter-ad-Vincula, Cornhill, 12.30. Organ, St Clements, 1.
Christmas Fair: Greater London Fund for Blind, New Kensington Town Hall, 11.30-6.
Dialogue: Katherine Whitehorn, journalist and broadcaster, and the Rev Joseph McCulloch, St Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, 1.05.



"La Republique", by Charles Giron, painted in 1883, which comes up for sale on November 22. The largest picture Sotheby's have ever offered at auction, it measures 175½in by 257in.

Damaged Ming jardiniere sold for £1,600

A much repaired Ming blue-and-white oviform jardiniere bearing a Lung Ch'ing six-character mark on the interior rim for 1567-1572 made the top price of £1,600, (estimate £300 to £500) in Christie's sale of oriental ceramics and works of art yesterday. It was bought by Lin, the Japanese dealer. The sale made £38,921, with 13 per cent unsold.

Glatz, the London dealer, paid £1,500 (estimate £900 to £1,200) for a pair of *blanc-de-chine* figures of Hsi Wang-Mu, modelled as Immortals holding a lotus flower, late eighteenth or early nineteenth century. An anonymous buyer paid £1,000 for a circular wood screen, 27½ inches high, inlaid with mother-of-pearl from the same period.

Christies' sale of Old Master paintings in New York on Saturday made $218,019, with less than 7 per cent failing to find buyers.

Scheidwimmer, from Munich, paid £20,900 for St Mary Magdalen seated in an interior writing a letter, by an artist known as the Master of the Half Lengths. The same dealer paid £10,450 for a pastoral scene of cattle by ruins attributed to Roelandt Savery, and Richard Green, the London dealer, paid £18,700 for a still-life of flowers in a wicker basket by Jean-Baptiste Monnoyer.

Geneva Stamp Sale: A sale of stamps by Robson Lowe International, in association with Christie's International, in Geneva on Saturday made a total of £154,930. A morning session devoted to the postal history and stamps of Gibraltar and Malta made £91,874 and an afternoon session devoted to Russian air mails £62,422.

Science report

Climatology: Use of sea-level records

By the Staff of *Nature*

When sea level on the Californian coast is higher than average, so also is air temperature. That is the conclusion of Dr S. A. Tont, of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, California, after studying records dating back more than seventy years.

The sea level changes, of course, with the rise and fall of the tide, but when that effect is averaged out over periods of weeks or months there can still be fluctuations of several centimetres. Those variations could arise in many ways: from atmospheric pressure, wind, rainfall, currents and so on.

Investigations in the past have noted that the sea level also seems to be correlated with sea temperature and that that effect can overshadow all others. Because sea temperature and air temperature are often significantly related it is an obvious step, though not one that seems to have been made before, to propose that the sea level and air temperature may also be correlated.

To test that, Dr Tont took annual values of the deviation of sea level from a long-term mean at Los Angeles and San Diego and compared with with annual air-temperature fluctuations. The similarity was striking. In years in which the air temperature was 1°C higher than average, sea level was about 5cm higher than average.

The cause of the correlation is still uncertain, but Dr Tont favours an explanation tied to prevailing winds that can stack seawater at the shoreline and bring persistent weather patterns. To a certain extent, however, the mechanism is less important than the simple existence of a correlation. For it suggests that old records of sea level may take their place alongside growth rings on trees and other records in marine sediments as indications of past climate.

Source: *Nature*, 276, 171-2 (Nov 9, 1978).

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Bill this year to protect monuments

By Our Planning Reporter

The Government hopes to introduce a Bill before the end of this year to extend the statutory protection given to ancient monuments, the Department of the Environment said yesterday.

The Bill will approximately follow the recommendations of a consultative document published in March, 1977. An official was unable to say, however, whether it would give powers to local authorities to purchase compulsorily important sites thought to be endangered.

There has been concern recently at the number of monuments destroyed by building development, roads, farming and forestry.

Equally worrying has been the shortage of government funds available for archaeological excavation, which has forced many authorities to reduce their staffs. The department is looking at ways to reallocate grants to make sure county councils concentrate on the most urgent proposals, but does not consider that a suitable subject for legislation.

OBITUARY

SIR EDWARD SALISBURY

Former Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens

Sir Edward Salisbury, C.B.E., F.R.S., Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, from 1943 to 1956, died on November 10 at the age of 92.

He had previously had a distinguished academic career, succeeding F. W. Oliver, as Quain Professor of Botany in the University of London in 1929, a chair which he had held until his appointment to Kew in 1943. He became a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1933, was biological secretary of the society between 1945 and 1955, received a Royal Medal in 1945, and had been a vice-president for 12 years. He was also a Fellow of the Linnean Society from 1909, serving on the council from 1920 to 1924 and again from 1926 to 1930 and as vice-president from 1928 to 1929.

Edward James Salisbury was born on April 16, 1886, the younger son of J. Wright Salisbury, of Limbrick Hall, Harpenden, and was educated at University College School and University College London, graduating with honours and subsequently becoming Quain Student. He was a lecturer at East London College between 1914 and 1918, later returning to University College, at which he became a Reader in 1924. He was a Fellow of both University College and Queen Mary College.

His scientific reputation rested largely on his work in plant ecology. Long association with F. W. Oliver and his work at Blakeney had led him to recognize the possibility of following soil changes as shown in sand-dunes of different ages, and he was able to demonstrate in Britain the continual deterioration of dunesoils as a result of washing and leaching by rain. His earlier work on the oak-hornbeam woodlands of Hertfordshire marked an epoch in woodland ecology, directing attention to the extreme differences between the vegetation during the light and shade phases. His valuable and detailed studies of stomatal distribution and leaf anatomy were less widely recognized that his long-continued interest in the East Anglian flora and his mature work published in the book *The Reproductive Capacity of Plants* (1942), which is a major contribution to botany. His scientific interests were, however, much more diverse, including early work in palaeobotany (carboniferous seeds) as well as continued studies in the range of number variation in the parts of indefinite flowers like those of Ranunculaceae. He summarized his interest in dunes and in the chalk flora in his book *Downs and Dunes* (1952).

His approach to scientific problems was essentially a practical one and dealt rather with the facts than with hypotheses. This practical outlook, combined with his wide taxonomic knowledge of plants, was the basis of his success as Director at Kew. Perhaps the most notable event of his time there was the building of the important Australian House, opened in 1952, which was very largely inspired by the visit paid by Salisbury to Australia in 1949. He was induced, largely by official pressure, to devote much time to scientific, often government-sponsored, activities outside Kew, and this undoubtedly caused his total impact on the Royal Botanic Gardens to be less than it might otherwise have been.

For many years Salisbury made painstaking efforts and most meticulous observations on the weed flora of this country and his knowledge of the behaviour and control of these plants, based on his own studies and experiments, was certainly unique. On his retirement from Kew he continued his research and in 1961 produced the important work, *Weeds and Aliens*. His valued services to the Royal Horticultural Society were recognized by the award of the Veitch Gold Medal in 1935, the V.M.H. in 1952, and in 1958 he was made honorary Professor of Botany of the society. In 1962, for the society's Masters Memorial Lecture, he chose as his subject, *The Biology of Garden Weeds*, and this matter was published in a very attractive illustrated booklet.

He was a member of the London University Senate for 10 years from 1934 to 1944, was a member of the University Grants Committee from 1944 to 1949 and of the Agricultural Research Council between 1940 and 1944. From 1917 he was for 15 years secretary of the British Ecological Society, where his practical gifts found full expression. He was president of the society in 1928 and president of Section K of the *British Association* in 1937. He was made C.B.E. in 1939 and knighted in 1946. He held an Honorary LL.D of Edinburgh and Glasgow and was Fullerton Professor of the Royal Institution from 1947 to 1952.

His interest in the British flora was evinced in a magnificent collection of photographs of native plants, mostly in their own habitat, which he gave to his old department. Many of these plants he also grew in his garden, for long one of the most attractive places in the southern counties, not only for the splendour of the plants which were growing there but for the variety and interest of those which were to be seen, side by side, often in the most unusual habitats. He was also a good botanical draughtsman, as was shown, for example, in his neat and lucid drawings of root systems in *Downs and Dunes*. His interest in gardening was shown in his book *The Living Garden*, published in 1935. He wrote many other books, mostly textbooks in collaboration with F. E. Fritsch, which have retained their interest and value to teachers. He had touched life at so many points that he was equally at home with men of all types and of the most varied interests.

Salisbury was not only a distinguished academic botanist, he was also an excellent field naturalist, with a good knowledge of many forms of life beyond those which had been his special study. He possessed the gift of clear and simple exposition, and on a country walk he was an admirable companion, full of acute and informative comment on things seen—though one could not help being amused at his habit of prefacing some particularly abstruse piece of knowledge with the words, "As you know as well as I do. . . ."

He married in 1917 Mabel, daughter of J. Elwin Coles; she died in 1956.

MR ANDREW RONALDS

Viscount Chandos writes:

The career of Andrew Ronalds, outlined in your obituary of November 2, was remarkable enough, not only for the unique progression from young Tsarist Officer to British Ambassador, but because, with the aid of his wife Natasha, he won the deep affection and professional admiration of so many colleagues in the Foreign Service, including some of the most senior. Thus, when the late Sir Neville Bland, the Queen's special ambassador at the Madagascan Independence ceremonies, reported to the department, on his return, of the outstanding position Ronalds had made for himself as permanent representative—something more than primus inter pares—his appointment as ambassador delighted his colleagues every where.

His fluency in several languages was put to great use during his special service during the war; his faultless English, at least, he owed to his former English Governess, Miss Ronalds, whose name he touchingly asked permission to adopt when it became necessary, for official reasons, to give up his own.

"Never get married in a revolution; it is an excuse for all your relations not to give you a wedding present". The speaker was Natasha; but it illustrates the indomitable spirit with which they both faced the hazards of life.

Latest pamphlets

How one man's environment affected his poetic muse

The Edward Thomas Country. By W. M. Whiteman. The ways in which writers are influenced by surroundings are multifarious. Mr Whiteman has excellent credentials as a writer on the countryside, recreation and local history to discuss the neighbourhoods, life and times of Edward Thomas, the poet and writer, who was killed at Arras on April 9, 1917, and left 141 poems written during a period of about two years.

He was a melancholy, restless man: if he had not been killed on the Western Front, Mr Whiteman says, he must either have come through a private hell or killed himself. The district north of Petersfield is the country where Thomas found inspiration and material. In 18 years of married life he and his wife Helen had nine different homes, most of which were in Hampshire.

Mr Whiteman has had access to local, private documents and has conversed with old residents in Thomas country. One delightful story in his booklet concerns Thomas's pleasure in ancient and curious place names. His publishers rejected his poem "Lob", flinching at the name "Mother Dunch's Buttocks". Thomas suggested "Happersnapper Hanger" instead.

Paul Cave Publications Ltd, 13 Portland Street, Southampton (60p, postage 12p).

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The Brontës and their Country. By Cyril Bainbridge. Travelling north to west Yorkshire, to the high moorland village of Haworth, we are in the Brontë country, just two miles from the author's birthplace. The Haworth countryside, well illustrated by photographs, drawings and maps, appears from this account to have altered very little in character. In the village a souvenir industry has inevitably sprung up, but the local civic society is vigilant, and plenty of genuine mementos are to be seen.

"The story of their lives has all the ingredients of a novel". Mr Bainbridge writes of Charlotte Emily, Anne and Branwell, and he gives a straightforward and well researched description of their development. It was tragic that consumption led to the demise of the gifted girls in their prime, leaving their father, Patrick, to survive to the ripe age of 85. The book would be a useful accessory for visitors to the Brontë country.

Hugh Tempest Radford, East Bergholt, Suffolk. (95p, p & p 16p).

National Portrait Gallery—a souvenir guide. A portrait by Branwell Brontë of his sisters Anne, Emily and Charlotte, is among 68 illustrations in a guide, which includes floor plans and maps of the gallery's 7,000 or so portraits.

In a foreword which traces the gallery's history, Dr John Hayes, the director, reminds the visitor that though only a small proportion of the collection can be exhibited at a time, the portraits in store are always available for inspection and study. Loans are made to a growing number of museums and public institutions. The latest loan exhibition will open up in May next year at Beningbrough Hall, near York, a National Trust property, where about sixty portraits, from 1688 to 1760, including those by Kneller, Reynolds and Gainsborough will be hung.

National Portrait Gallery, Publications Department, St Martin's Place, London, WC2H 0HE (50p, postage 20p).

Kenneth Gosling

Women 'losing ground over equality of pay'

Women had not only stopped making progress towards equal pay but were actually losing ground, Lady Howe, deputy chairman of the Equal Opportunities Commission, said yesterday.

"Women's gross hourly earnings rose from 63.1 per cent of men's in 1970 to 75.1 per cent in 1976. But they rose by only 0.4 per cent in 1977 and have now dropped to 73.9 per cent in 1978", she said.

Qualifiers for bridge finals

The third heat of the Rothmans inter-regional pairs championship organized by the English Bridge Union was played in Manchester at the weekend (our Bridge Correspondent writes). From a field of 73 pairs the following qualified for the finals, to be played in Birmingham in June:

R. A. M. Allison, H. C. Barker, 2,090; A. Jones, P. Clipsham, 2,057; J. Parkinson, P. Ashton, 2,050; A. Would, M. Braid (leading juniors), 2,013; S. Zychlinski, J. Miodis, 2,008; L. R. Bernstein, D. R. Kerr, 1,974; equal F. Hepworth, J. A. Dullen, and Mrs E. Foster, Dr R. P. Slatcher, 1,933; M. Parr, Mrs M. Trounce, 1,920. The leading women's pair were thirtieth with 1,721: Mrs E. Lightbill, Mrs J. Blakey.



Lord Justice Templeman, with Lady Templeman, after he had been sworn in as a Lord Justice of Appeal yesterday.

25 years ago

From The Times of Friday, Nov 13, 1953

From Our Own Correspondent

Paris, Nov 12.—General de Gaulle held his first press conference for nearly eight months this afternoon and again directed the full force of his invective against the European Defence Community treaty. The performance was on familiar lines and with one possible exception contained no surprises though it is clear that the General's xenophobia increases as he grows older. His alternative to EDC is, as it has always been, a confederation of European states including Britain and Germany; he also thinks that the moment has come for France to find out through diplomatic channels what the prospects are for an arrangement with the Russians. . . . The General reserved some of his choicest sallies for France's western allies. He suggested that the Americans in urging approval of EDC wanted to separate their European partners and thus come face to face with Germany. He was ironical about the British attitude. To lose your independence and hand over your army was not acceptable in London but it was all right for Paris. As for the British association with EDC it was pleasant to belong without paying the dues. The conference ended with a mournful survey by the General of his failures since 1940—he admitted that the French Rally had passed through difficult days—and of his hopes that one day when "France is France" his mission would be fulfilled.

Stricter rules needed for tree planting

By Our Planning Reporter

The survival of trees in urban landscapes depends largely on stricter rules governing building foundations, Mr David Haythorn, managing director of Pynford Design Ltd, a structural engineering company, suggested yesterday.

His comments coincided with a statement by Mr Peter Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, that 50 million trees had been lost in England and Wales in the past 25 years.

The loss of trees was increasing at an alarming rate, Mr Shore said at a planting ceremony in Tower Hamlets, London, to mark National Tree Week, Britain, with fewer trees to an acre than almost any other country in Europe, imported nine tenths of her timber requirements.

Mr Haythorn said at a press conference in London that houses built on shrinkable clay soils needed foundations at least 6ft to 8ft deep, instead of the recommended 2ft to 3ft.

Wide range of John XXIII's letters to be published

From Peter Nichols

Rome, Nov 13

A volume of letters covering the whole period of the pontificate of Pope John XXIII is due to be published next month.

Of the 217 letters and other documents in the volume, 112 have not been published before. The choice and editing is the work of Mgr Loris Capovilla, now papal delegate at the Loreto sanctuary and formerly private secretary to John XXIII.

More than a source of revelations, the volume is a reminder of the personality of the Pope who transformed many aspects of Roman Catholicism by both his own warm personality and his decision to call the Vatican Council.

The letters vary from exchanges with Mr Nikita Khrushchev, the late Soviet leader, marked on both sides by respect, to frank comments about himself as Pope written to old friends in northern Italy.

After being Pope for three months, he wrote to Don Angelo Pedrinelli, a scholar who, because of his involvement in the modernist controversy, had to spend the last 49 years of his life as a parish priest forbidden to teach: "I am amazed to find myself always myself, that is simple and sincere, and above all calm and serene, and very humbly ready *ad omnia ut vintus Christi* (for everything as Christ's prisoner), and without illusions."

The impending publication raises the question of what John XXIII would have felt about the way the Church has changed since he launched it on a course of reform. His friends maintain that he would point to a general raising of standards in Statements made by many of the world's bishops. After the Council, they have chosen weightier subjects on which to address the faithful. They know each other better. The fact that they meet more frequently, has broadened their outlook.

John XXIII felt that fundamental reform was required in the Roman Curia, and this remains to be taken in hand. The essential problem facing Pope John Paul II is seen to be that of the respective powers and functions of the Roman Curia and the international Synod of Bishops. The former can never be more than the pope's executive. The second, which was set up by Paul VI at the wish of the Council, expresses the degree of coresponsibility the bishops have in actually governing the Church with the Pope at their head. Paul VI left the choice open, by a gentle curial reform and a purely consultative role for the Synod.

Pope John Paul II is the first to have captured the popular imagination since John XXIII himself. Paul VI was not adept at handling crowds and John Paul I ruled for only a month and did not have the time to express his character fully.

The attachment of John XXIII to Poland is clear in a long letter in this collection to Cardinal Wyszynski, the Polish Primate. He did not know the present Pope who was half his age at the time of John's election.

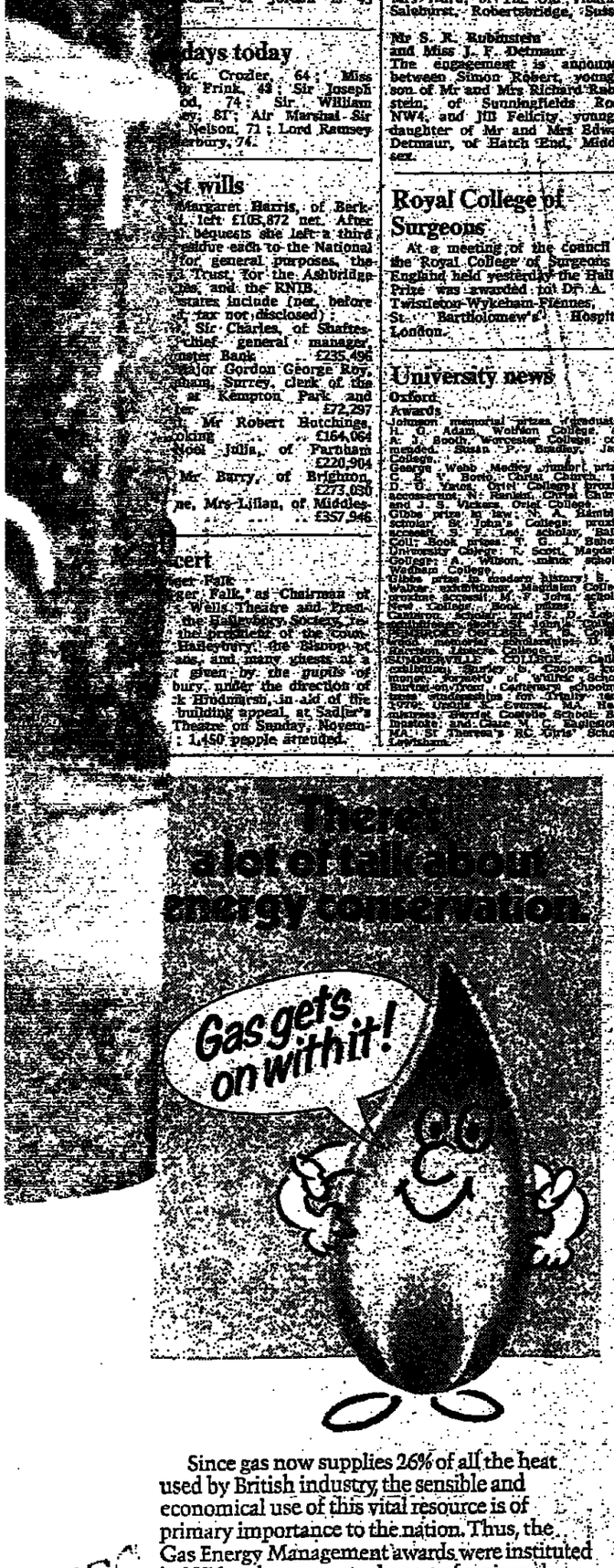
An essential difference is recalled in their approaches to the crowds. John XXIII is remembered as caring little for applause or oratorical effect. His former secretary recounts how John said to him after his first appearance as Pope when St Peter's Square was crowded and the arclamps of the television crews brilliantly lit the balcony: "If I do not abide by the teaching of the Master who was sweet and humble, I shall see nothing of temporal reality: I shall just go blind."

Pope John Paul II was interrupted some 20 times yesterday by the applause of the crowds when he spoke during the ceremony of taking possession of his cathedral as Bishop of Rome.

An unexpected aspect of the Church's life which John XXIII's former associates see as disturbing is the new readiness to accept miraculous claims.

What is felt worrying is less the claims of modern miracles than the alacrity with which the claims are accepted. There are cases said to be causing embarrassment to the bishops.

John XXIII followed what many people would regard as an old-fashioned type of personal faith, but he left authority to decide what was acceptable among claims of miracles and supernatural experiences.



Since gas now supplies 26% of all the heat used by British industry, the sensible and economical use of this vital resource is of primary importance to the nation. Thus, the Gas Energy Management awards were instituted in 1976 to demonstrate the sort of savings that can be achieved.

Look out for the winners!

The finalists in last year's competition saved between them enough gas to supply a town the size of Dover for a year! This year's winners will be announced soon—look out for the results. And if you want to find out more about how you can save gas in your business, write to British Gas Technical Consultancy Service, 326 High Holborn, London WC1V 7PT. Make it your business to save energy—get together with gas.

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ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, Nov 13. Dealings End, Nov 24. § Contango Day, Nov. 27 Settlement Day, Dec 5

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

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99⅝	85½	Elec	4¼%	1974-79	96⅝	+1/16	4.413	8.904
106	92⅞	Treas	10½%	1979	98¾	+1/16	10.619	11.747
[illegible]	84¼	Elec	3½%	1976-79	95⅝	+1/16	3.656	8.006
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107	89¼	Treas	9½%	1980	98⅜	+⅛	8.833	12.066
96	83¼	Treas	3½%	1977-80	93⅞	+1/16	3.731	7.755
99⅛	81½	Fund	5¼%	1978-80	94⅝	• ..	5.548	8.983
112⅞	98⅝	Exch	13%	1980	100⅞	+1/16	12.887	12.504
105⅞	92⅜	Treas	11½%	1981	97⅞	+1/16	11.749	12.605
94⅝	77⅞	Treas	3½%	1979-81	89¼	..	3.966	9.299
104	88⅞	Treas	9¾%	1981	94⅝	+1/16	10.303	12.426
97⅛	92¼	Exch	8½%	1981	91⅞	• ..	9.034	12.152
110⅜	92¾	Exch	9¾%	1981	92⅞	+⅛	10.228	12.645
[illegible]	83⅝	Exch	3%	1981	82⅞	..	3.505	8.985
112⅞	94¼	Exch	12¾%	1981	100⅝	+⅛	12.734	12.701
106⅝	83⅞	Treas	8¼%	1980-82	88¼	..	9.471	12.485
[illegible]	72⅞	Treas	3%	1982	83⅜	..	3.597	8.909
110⅝	101⅜	Treas	14%	1982	107⅛	+1/16	13.367	12.709
[illegible]	87¼	Treas	8¾%	1982	87⅞	..	9.402	12.549
100⅞	89⅞	Exch	9¼%	1982	89⅞	+1/16	10.371	12.884
96	87⅞	Exch	8¾%	1983	87⅞	+1/16	10.036	12.814
87⅞	70⅛	Exch	3%	1983	80⅞	..	3.721	8.502
114½	95⅞	Treas	12%	1983	97⅞	..	12.292	12.732
101⅞	87⅝	Treas	9¼%	1983	87⅞	..	10.557	12.846
[illegible]	84	Exch	10%	1983	88¼	+⅛	11.253	12.078
95	72⅞	Fund	5½%	1982-84	81⅞	..	6.918	10.780
99⅝	77⅝	Treas	8¼%	1984-86	81⅞	..	10.102	11.657
[illegible]	67	Fund	6½%	1985-87	73⅞	..	8.823	11.991
92⅝	68⅝	Treas	7¾%	1985-88	80	..	9.984	11.790
[illegible]	49½	Treas	3%	1978-88	61⅞	+⅛	4.959	9.299
[illegible]	54⅞	Treas	5%	1986-89	63⅞	+⅛	7.880	10.774
120½	90¾	Treas	13%	1990	104⅞	+⅛	13.001	12.983
[illegible]	67⅛	Treas	8¼%	1987-90	76⅛	+⅛	10.741	12.077
111	90⅞	Treas	11¾%	1991	95⅞	+⅛	12.805	13.110
79⅝	54	Fund	5¾%	1987-91	63⅞	+⅛	9.167	11.454
[illegible]	96¼	Treas	12¾%	1992	101⅞	+⅛	13.118	13.188
96⅝	84	Treas	10%	1992	84	..	12.248	12.914
117	89⅞	Exch	12¼%	1992	96⅞	+⅛	13.032	13.200
119⅞	94⅝	Treas	12½%	1993	99⅞	+⅛	13.127	13.241
72⅝	51⅞	Fund	6%	1993	60⅞	+⅛	10.044	11.864
[illegible]	96	Treas	13¾%	1993	102⅞	+⅛	13.404	13.353
125⅞	99	Treas	14½%	1994	110⅛	+⅛	13.465	13.337
114⅝	94⅝	Exch	12½%	1994	97⅞	+⅛	13.180	13.282
[illegible]	68⅞	Treas	9%	1994	75⅞	+⅛	11.853	12.516
110⅜	92	Treas	12%	1995	93⅝	+⅛	13.058	13.208
[illegible]	32⅝	Gas	3%	1990-95	43⅞	..	6.875	10.121
91⅝	82⅝	Exch	10¼%	1995	84⅝	+⅛	12.601	13.010
[illegible]	97¼	Treas	12¾%	1995	97⅞	+⅛	13.128	13.177
91⅝	67	Treas	9%	1992-96	73⅞	+⅛	12.061	12.646
[illegible]	101⅞	Treas	15¼%	1996	112	+⅛	13.627	13.525

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Investment Dollar Premium 85c (82½%). Premium Conversion Factor 0.7522.

FOREIGN STOCKS

DOLLAR STOCKS

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
[illegible]	[illegible]	Allied	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bass Charrington	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bell A.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Boddingtons	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Brown M.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Bulmer HP Hldgs	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Burtonwood	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	City of Ldn Dfd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Devenish	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Distillers	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Greenall	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Greene King	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Guinness	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Hardys & Hansons	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Highland	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Invergordon	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Irish Distillers	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Marston	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Scot & Newcastle	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Seagram	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	SA Breweries	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Tomatin	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Vaux	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Whitbread 'A'	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do B	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Whitbread Inv	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Wolverhampton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
		A — B					
122	77	AAH	100	..	9.3	9.3	7.0
45	25	AC Cars	42	+2	1.4	3.4	8.5
121½	29¾	AGB Research	109	-3	3.8	3.5	17.1
227	134	APV Hldgs	190	+2	9.1	4.8	7.0
79¼	45¼	Aaronson Bros	65	..	5.3	8.2	6.6
138	82	Acrow	120	-2	4.0	3.3	9.9
111	52	Do A	85	-3	4.0	4.7	7.0
310	150	Adwest Group	290	-3	15.2	5.2	7.7
130	34	Aeron't & Gen	96	..	3.9	4.0	10.6
62	42	Airfix Ind	50	..	4.9	9.8	4.8
17¼	7¼	Akzo	£10	..	..	..	..
166	135	Alcan Ord	140	+1	15.0b	10.7	4.4
96	69	Do 10½%	£79½	-5½	1050	13.2	..
303	205	Algemene Ind	225	• ..	20.0	9.3	6.6
77	44	Allen E. Balfour	58	+1	6.6	11.3	10.6
52¾	23	Allen W. G.	45	..	3.8	8.4	4.0
100½	44½	Allied Colloids	70	..	2.6	3.7	12.8
74	43	Allied Insulators	60	-1	6.5	10.8	4.6
18½	7½	Allied Plant	19½	..	1.2	6.3	8.1
135	34¼	Allied Retail	135	..	4.4	3.3	17.2
79	19	Alpine Hldgs	66	+1	4.2	6.3	17.0
352	210	Amal Metal	285	..	24.7	8.7	11.6
171	57¾	Amal Power	128	..	8.8	6.9	3.4
54	21	Amber Day	46	..	2.8b	6.3	6.3
28	8	Amber Ind Hldgs	26	..	0.8	3.2	4.4
96	41	Anchor Chem	72	..	6.3	8.8	4.6
71	29¼	Anderson Strath	66	-1	4.0	6.0	7.6
95	43½	Anglia TV 'A'	84	..	6.7	7.9	5.9
640	330	Anglo Amer Ind	520	+10	43.1	8.3	5.6
42	22	Ang Swiss Hldgs	30	..	..	..	..
105	49	Appleyard	83	-1	9.5	11.4	8.7
91½	19½	Aquascutum 'A'	38	-1½	2.4	6.3	8.0
80	20	Arenson Hldgs	78	• -2	3.2	4.1	5.1
137	66¼	Arlington Mtr	109	-1	11.7	10.7	4.3
77½	38	Armitage Shanks	70½	+1	6.5	9.2	22.3
73	39	Armst Equip	62	+1	3.4	5.5	7.3
94	55¾	Ass Biscuit	73	..	5.3	7.2	4.9
260	85	Ass Book	235	+5	6.8	2.9	7.8
78	48	Ass Brit Food	68	..	5.6	8.3	7.0
130	68½	Ass Comm 'A'	116	+1	10.0	8.6	6.9
142	82	Ass Engineer	110	..	7.9	7.2	5.7
71	36	Ass Fisheries	43	+2	..	..	..
76	26½	Ass Leisure	66	+2½	4.8	7.1	6.6
198	131	Ass News	180	+4	8.7	4.8	8.0
68	20	Ass Paper	50	+½	4.6	9.1	5.3
44	23	Ass Tooling	39	..	3.9	9.9	18.0
68	22	Astbury & Mdley	68	..	3.0	4.5	6.9
68	27	Atkins Bros	54	..	5.6	10.3	6.0
43	17	Audiotronic	39	..	0.3	1.4	..
45	22	Ault & Wiborg	38½	+½	3.1	7.7	5.0
101	56	Aurora Hldgs	85	..	8.2	9.7	3.9
117	30	Austin E.	117	..	5.8	5.0	5.3
90½	30	Automotive Pd	67	..	2.2	3.3	7.0
197	113	Averys	170	..	9.2	5.4	9.9
225	74	Avon Rubber	164	+4	14.1	8.6	2.4
347	235	B.A.T. Ind	263	+3	22.6	8.6	4.8
304	203	Do Dfd	227	..	..	..	..
88	39	BBA Grp	50	• -1	3.8	7.5	5.1
124	71	BPT Dfd	107	+3	8.8	8.2	6.4
144	97	BICC	124	..	11.1	8.9	10.6
38	20	BL Ltd	20	..	..	..	..
82	41	BOC Int	68½	..	5.3	7.7	4.9
274	111	BPB Ind	225	..	11.6	5.1	5.0
89	26	BPM Hldgs 'A'	61	-1	4.8	7.8	4.5
45	17½	BSG Int	38	+½	3.6	9.3	3.6
151	83	BSR Ltd	86	..	7.5	8.7	5.9
324	149¾	BTR Ltd	316	-2	16.7	5.3	10.8
161	70	Babcock & W	150	+3	8.8	5.9	7.4
36	21	Baggeridge Brk	31	..	3.5	11.4	9.5
8¾	3	Bailey C H. Ord	7¼	..	0.4	4.8	5.7
194	83	Baird W.	175	• ..	14.9	8.5	5.7
123	65	Baker Perkins	115	..	6.5	5.7	3.9
83	29½	Bambergers	74	h ..	5.0	6.7	11.7
174	11	Bambers Stores	140	• -2	2.6	1.8	10.5
70	28¾	Banro Cons	60	..	3.4	5.8	7.4
16	2½	Barker & Dobson	11¾	..	..	..	32.6
264	144	Barlow Rand	215	• -5	17.5	8.1	4.2
174	38	Barr & Wallace	140	-3	5.6	4.0	4.7
170	37	Do A	140	-2	5.6	4.0	4.7
128	56¾	Barratt Devs	105	..	12.4	11.8	2.8
54	28	Barrow Hepbn	36	+2	2.3b	6.3	6.2
72	33¾	Barton & Sons	59	+1	4.6	7.8	6.1
135	69	Bassett G.	115	..	8.7	7.5	5.8
99	29	Bath & P'land	51	+1	5.2	10.1	2.9
96	34	Beales J.	79	• -3	4.6	5.9	3.4
202	64	Beatson Clark	176	..	8.7	5.0	4.7
55	29½	Beauford Grp	55	..	5.0	9.1	8.1
84	43	Beckman A.	74	-1	7.6	10.2	8.9
743	372	Beecham Grp	635	+2	28.2	4.4	12.3
83	38½	Bejam Grp	66	+2	2.4	3.7	9.6
85	54	Benrose Corp	77	..	6.2	8.0	10.2
69¾	20	Benn Bros	61	..	4.9	8.0	12.6
211	121	Berec Grp	127	• +1	6.7	5.2	5.8
167	74½	Berisf'd S & W	152	-1	6.5	4.3	5.4
65	31	Bertsfords	64	-1	3.6	5.9	5.4
175	122	Bestobell	142	..	14.4b	10.2	6.4
69	38	Bell Bros	57	..	2.7a	4.7	8.9
275	102	Bibby J.	275	..	10.7	3.9	5.2
56	28½	Bifurcated Eng	52½	..	4.4	8.4	5.2
175	50	Birm'gham Mint	122	+2	7.4	6.0	7.9
123	68	Black & Edg'tn	86	• -2	7.1	8.2	10.5
72	35¾	Blackwd Hodge	57	..	0.9	1.6	..
30	15	Blackwood Mt	21½	+½	..	..	32.4
275	122	Blagden & N	235	..	18.2	7.8	10.2
302	153	Blue Circle Ind	254	+3	14.7	5.8	6.5
87	39	Blundell Perm	85	+1	4.8	5.6	8.3
20¾	7½	Boardman K. O.	19½	..	1.7	8.9	6.3
86	33	Bodycote	82	..	3.4	4.2	7.9
300	128	Booker McCon	272	• -2	22.0	4.4	7.9
213	84	B'sey & Hawkes	160	..	8.0	5.0	6.5
161	47	Boot H.	110	-2	13.7	12.5	6.1
242	118	Boots	193	+1	9.1b	4.7	13.7
97	45	Borthwick T.	58	..	9.4	16.2	8.0
23¾	11¾	Boulton W.	18	..	2.0	11.1	6.8
214	106	Bowater Corp	173	+1	14.9	8.6	7.9
69½	34	Bowthrpe Hldgs	64½	..	2.6	3.7	9.1
96	51¾	Braby Leslie	68	+1	6.7	9.8	3.4
76	54	Brady Ind	60	..	5.3	8.8	..
75	48	Do A	56	..	5.3	9.5	10.6
41	21½	Braham Millar	35	..	2.2	6.3	4.9
45	17	Braid Grp	33½	-1	2.2	6.1	5.3
179	63½	Braithwaite	108	..	6.5	6.5	5.6
119¾	29¾	Brammer H.	107	+1	4.6	4.3	10.5
58	38	Bremner	50	..	7.0	13.9	12.6
216	70¾	Brent Chem Int	167	..	4.8	2.6	15.7
68	25	Brent Walker	50	..	1.9	3.9	20.7
54	22	Brickhouse Dud	45	..	3.5	7.7	6.9
172	80	Bridon	107	..	9.3	8.7	10.6
47½	27½	Bright J. Grp	32	• -1	3.6	11.3	10.9
51½	29	Brit Car Auctn	47	• -1½	3.8	8.0	8.9
246	137	Brit Home Strs	191	• ..	9.5	5.1	15.4
56	34	Brit Printing	47	+½	5.2	11.1	4.4
104	43½	Brit Sim Spec	90	+2	7.1	7.9	8.6
124	68½	Brit Sugar	140	..	7.2b	5.1	3.3
70¾	30½	Brit Syphon Ind	52	• -2	5.0	9.7	5.7
62½	30½	Brit Tar Prod	47	..	3.1	6.7	11.0
123	36¾	Brit Vita	117	..	3.0	2.6	5.1
30	13½	Brittains	21	+1	2.3	10.8	5.5
71	44	Brockhouse Ltd	57	..	5.9	10.2	5.5
86	41	Brooks Grp	69	..	5.7	8.4	17.2
765	383	Broken Hill	665	+15	19.0	2.9	29.3
89	35	Brook St Bur	78	..	6.5	8.3	15.5
56	38	Brooke Bond	46½	..	4.6	9.9	6.7
50	17	Brooke Tool	39	..	3.8b	9.6	8.2
159	49	Brotherhood P.	104	..	9.8	9.4	7.8
260	93	Brown & J'ksn	216	-4	3.0	1.4	19.0
145	71	Brown & Tawse	125	+1	7.3	5.7	7.4
82	28	BRK	45	..	3.3	7.4	5.7
30	12	Brown Bros Cp	25¼	• -1	1.6	6.3	4.7
435	95	Brown J.	414	..	24.6	5.9	4.3
124	85	Bruntons	107	..	11.7	10.9	9.5
38	17	Bryant Hldgs	45	..	3.8	8.3	4.3
156	61½	Bulloch Ltd	146	..	9.3	6.4	6.0
277	28	Bulmer & Lumb	55	+1	4.7	8.6	4.5
120	87	Bunzl Pulp	92	..	7.9	8.6	4.1
46¼	35	Burco Dean	70	+1	6.2	8.9	7.0
72	32	Burgess Prod	52	• -1	5.2	10.0	4.9
221	86	Burnett H'shire	202	-3	4.3	2.1	5.3
221	61	Do A NV	202	-3	4.3	2.1	5.3
30½	9	Burns Andson	26½	s +¼	1.2	4.6	5.0
7¾	2	Burrell & Co	5¾	..	..	..	15.1
286	130	Burt Boulton	240	..	25.2	8.4	6.7
192	51	Burton Grp	176	-3	2.2	1.3	..
184	30	Do A	165	-1	2.3	1.4	..
96	30	Butterfld-Harvy	70	..	3.6	5.1	5.2
		C — E					
35	24¾	CH Industrials	26	+½	3.0	10.8	4.0
69½	39½	Cadbury Sch	55	..	4.9	8.7	6.8
112	58¼	Caffyns	97	..	9.6	9.6	7.2
98	45	C Bread Robey	60	• ..	2.5	4.1	15.9
106	39	Campari	94	• ..	3.0	3.2	4.0
124	84	Do B	94	..	3.0	3.2	..
82	43½	Camrex Hldgs	45	..	6.0	12.5	4.0
92	36	Canning W.	65	..	6.0	9.2	5.9
136	97	Cape Ind	124	..	13.0	10.5	3.3
218	37	Capian Profile	106	..	7.3	6.7	7.0
91¾	36¼	Capper Neill	73	s -1	6.0	8.2	3.6
52	31	Caravans Int	71	..	7.3	10.3	2.7
79	35	Carclo Eng	73	..	4.5	6.1	8.7
51	29	Carless Capel	30	..	1.4	4.7	8.4
237	59	Carlton Ind	215	+1	9.3	3.9	8.5
76	39	Carpets Int	59	..	2.5	4.3	15.1
50	16½	Carr J. (Don)	48	..	3.4	3.1	7.1
40½	22½	Carr'ton Viy	34½	+½	3.3	9.5	4.3
120	65½	Carroll P. J.	95	..	9.7	10.2	7.3
38½	13¾	Casket S Hldgs	34	+2	1.6	4.8	6.3
27	7	Causton Sir J.	22	..	..	..	5.4
166	86	Cawoods	137	-2	5.8	4.2	9.1
26½	12	Celestion	25	+½	1.1	3.9	6.2
110	32¾	Cement Rdstone	91	-2	5.0	5.5	8.8
36½	12½	Cen & Sheer	31½	..	1.9	6.1	8.6
300	60¾	Centreway Ltd	240	£ ..	12.4	6.6	5.4
64	34	Ch'mbn & Hill	62	..	4.1	6.7	4.4
58½	27½	Chamberl'n Grp	44	• ..	4.6	10.5	4.8
32	10	Change Wares	15	..	0.9a	6.0	1.9
21¼	15	Do Cnv Cum	16	+½	1.8	11.4	..
135	91	Chloride Grp	113	..	7.8	6.9	10.8
135	89	Christies Int	129	+2	5.3	4.1	11.2
75	27	Christy Bros	48	..	4.2	8.7	4.6
142	97	Chubb & Sons	132	• -2	7.9	5.9	8.1
198	57	Church & Co	185	..	9.6	3.4	6.6
79	45	Coalite & Chem	70	..	4.2	6.0	5.8
79	39	Coates Bros	74	• ..	3.6	4.9	7.2
73	43	Do A	70	• ..	2.6	5.2	6.8
84	57	Coats Patons	65½	• -1½	5.4	8.3	4.4
133	45	Cole R. H.	98	-2	5.8	5.9	5.0
101	32	Collett D'son	65	-4	5.2	7.5	4.8
166	99	Collins W.	140	..	7.0	5.0	6.7
190	99	Do A	137	..	7.0	5.1	8.5
38	14	Comben Grp	30	..	3.6b	12.1	8.9
178	50	Comb Eng Strs	106	..	5.5	5.2	12.0
154	30	Comet Radiov'n	130	..	3.9	3.0	11.8
27¾	5½	Comfort Hotels	23½	s ..	0.6	2.3	9.7
114	64	CompAir	88	..	5.7	7.2	8.4
74½	20	Compton Webb	74	h ..	2.8a	3.8	13.3
27¾	10½	Cook W.	22	..	2.1	9.5	3.2
73½	37	Cope Allman	66	• -2	3.2	7.8	4.5
18	9	Copson F.	16	..	1.3	7.9	7.6
43	16½	Corah	30½	..	3.0	8.1	5.0
114	54¾	Coral Leisure	111	-2	9.8	8.9	6.5
81	22¼	Cosalt	58	• -1	3.5	6.0	5.3
259	89¾	Costain R	233	..	3.8	1.7	7.7
45	8	Countryside	42	..	3.5	8.4	14.8
129	73	Courts (Furn)	106	..	5.4	5.1	6.7
124	73	Do A NV	106	..	5.4	5.1	6.7
135	90	Courtaulds	114	+1	11.4	10.0	10.2
72	30	Courtney Pope	72	..	3.6	5.0	6.3
78	30¼	C'wan de Groot	63	..	3.4	5.5	4.8
48	23	Cowie T.	42½	+½	2.7	6.3	3.8
44	14	Crellon Hldgs	14	-1	1.8	13.0	..
20½	15	Do 12% Conv	15	-1	1.2	8.0	..
90	29	Crest Nicholson	67	..	5.6	8.3	7.9
65½	39¼	Croda Int	54	..	3.6	6.7	6.5
43	25	Cronite Grp	35	+1	3.7	10.6	11.7
85	23	Cropper J.	85	..	2.3	2.7	4.2
117	48	Crouch D.	105	..	6.2	5.9	9.0
79½	25	Crouch Grp	63	+1	4.5	7.2	11.2
64	32¾	Crown House	60	..	5.8	9.8	9.6
147	80	Cum'ns En Cv	£90	..	375	4.7	..
180	63½	Dale Electric	158	..	4.2a	2.6	14.9
24¼	14	Dana Corp	£19¾	+¾	68.1	3.5	..
140	70¼	Davies & New	134	..	11.3	8.4	20.6
101½	29	Davis G.	93½	..	5.0	5.4	3.7
154	75	Davy Corp	148	+5	8.4	5.6	8.6
700	350	De Beers Ind	600	..	46.4	7.7	11.3
40	21	Deanson Hldgs	40	..	3.2	7.9	8.9
118	64¼	Debenhams	82	..	8.3	10.1	7.6
500	129¾	De La Rue	362	• -3	15.5	4.1	7.1
580	233	Decca	420	• -5	18.0	4.3	17.1
555	223	Do A	405	• -10	18.0	4.4	16.5
81½	49	Delta Metal	67½	• -1½	7.6	11.3	8.5
107	66	Denbyware	107	..	8.2	7.7	11.6
178	82	De Vere Hotels	156	• ..	7.3	4.7	22.6
77	30¼	Dewhirst I. J.	73	..	2.3	3.1	7.8
25	11	Dewhurst Dent	19	..	..	..	7.3
143	89	DRG	115	+2	11.0	9.6	9.1
210	57	Diploma Inv	175	+7	5.8	3.3	9.6
118	26	Dixon D.	110	+5	5.6	5.1	4.7
178	63	Dixons Photo	127	..	3.7	2.9	8.5
65	20	Doxor	50	..	0.9b	1.8	48.5
122	40¾	Dobson Park	100	..	6.1	6.1	8.1
55	41	Dom Hldgs	53	..	7.0	13.2	12.0
80	47¾	Dorada Hldgs	67	..	7.6	11.4	6.2
105	48¾	Douglas R. M.	86	..	5.2	6.1	6.0
31	17	Dow'd & Mills	29	..	1.8	6.3	9.0
163	83¾	Downing G. H.	118	+1	8.8	7.4	3.5
303	93	Dowty Grp	259	+8	6.8	2.6	13.6
38	12½	Drake & Scull	35	-1	1.5	4.3	8.4
38	14	Dreamland Elec	34	+1	2.0	5.9	6.2
39¾	27½	Dufay	30	+1	2.2	7.2	11.2
123	66	Dunlop Hldgs	66	• -3	8.0	12.2	4.9
29½	9½	Duple Int	23½	+½	1.0b	4.3	9.2
57½	57½	Duport	63	..	7.1	11.3	4.3
160	41	Duraplpe Int	139	..	6.2	4.4	8.4
54	26	Dutton For	44	• -1	4.6	10.5	3.4
40	21	Dykes J. Hldgs	36	..	..	..	..
253	129	E.M.I.	154	• ..	14.0	9.1	22.0
126	30¾	ERF Hldgs	116	+3	3.6	3.1	2.6
69	35	E Lancs Paper	65	..	5.2	7.7	7.2
109	22	Eastern Prod	75	..	6.5	8.7	2.1
160	56	Eastwood J. B.	158	h ..	5.9	3.7	9.0
285	105	Edbro	215	..	9.6	4.5	6.6
50	19	Eleco Hldgs	44	• ..	2.9	6.6	4.9
63	32	EIS	57	+1	4.7	8.2	9.3
318	44½	Electrocomps	275	..	4.2	1.5	12.7
29½	15	Electronic Mach	21	..	..	..	..
145	48	Electr'nic Rent	124	-1	7.6	6.1	7.5
163	55½	Elliott B.	141	+1	8.1	5.7	14.9
171	66	Ellis & Everard	90	..	7.6	8.4	18.1
20½	14¼	Ellis & Gold	20½	..	3.0	11.3	11.3
102	37	Elson & Robbins	81	..	5.0	6.1	6.3
21¾	10	Elswick Hopper	17½	-½	1.5	8.6	5.3
202	83½	Empire Stores	168	..	8.0	4.8	13.3
20¾	4¼	Energy Serv	15¾	• +¼	0.5	3.3	13.4
34	22	England J. E.	24	..	2.2	9.0	5.2
34	22	English & O'seas	22	..	1.1	4.8	8.1
108	50	English Card Cl	95	-2	4.5	4.7	8.1
109	69¾	Eng China Clay	76	+1	6.0	7.8	8.4
104	51	Erith & Co	94	..	8.5	9.1	11.8
230	122	Esperanza	105	..	8.6	6.8	11.1
78	42	Eucalyptus Pulp	57	-1	6.4b	11.3	2.4
142	54	Euro Ferries	122	• -1	4.4	3.6	5.0
200	140	Eurotherm Int	170	..	5.3	3.1	16.2
107	52	Eva Industries	92	..	7.9	8.6	4.3
36¾	12¾	Ever G.	33½	..	2.1b	6.5	10.4
19½	7½	Excalibur	16¼	..	0.8	5.0	5.5
138	65	Exch Telegraph	106	..	8.2	7.7	2.3
87	55	Expand Metal	71	-1	5.8	8.1	8.2
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115	52	FMC	73	+4	6.1	8.3	9.2
26	7	FPA Cons	27	+1½	..	..	..
76	29¾	Fairbairn L'sn	62	..	7.7	12.4	5.5
79	37½	Fairclough Cons	65	..	5.3	8.2	7.6
140	29	Fairview Est	118	..	9.4	8.0	4.3
150	109	Farmer S.W.	137	..	7.7	5.6	7.7
428	81	Farnell Elect	357	+4	10.3	2.9	14.8
62¾	13	Fed Lnd & Build	52½	..	3.6	6.8	14.8
36	23	Feedex Ltd	33	• +1	2.2	6.5	7.0
173	111	Fenner J. H.	156	..	10.5	6.8	10.7
128	45	Ferguson Ind	126	+6	9.9	7.8	8.3
67½	19½	Fine Art Dev	60	..	2.8	4.6	12.5
130	50	Finlay J.	95	+3	7.5	7.9	4.5
51½	10	First Castle	39	..	3.4	8.6	10.9
406	283	Fisons	318	• ..	20.2	6.4	6.4
73	45	Fitch Lovell	64	..	6.2	9.7	10.2
69	20	Fodens	56	+1	5.1	9.1	2.0
193	36	Fogarty E.	146	-2	4.3	2.9	5.8
29½	19½	Folkes Hefo NV	22½	..	2.1	9.3	4.0
35	16	Ford M	30	..	2.8	9.3	12.4
359	130	Ford Mtr BDR	140	+2	8.3	5.9	14.8
110	33½	Formlnster	101	-2	4.2	4.1	7.8
212	121	Foseco Min	151	• ..	7.3	4.8	10.2
134	39	Foster Bros	134	..	4.3	3.1	14.6
48	18	Foster J.	42	-1	3.8	9.0	6.1
109¾	73	Fothergill & H	104	+1	9.8	9.2	9.3
48	28	Francis G. R.	44	..	6.0	13.0	5.8
81	28	Francis Ind	59	• -1	5.0	8.5	3.4
400	127	Freemans Ldn	340	..	9.9	2.9	12.5
76	40	French T.	64	..	4.2	6.6	4.9
41	14	French Kier	35	+1	2.7	7.6	6.2
112	53	Friedland Doggt	95	..	5.0	5.2	6.8
59	45	GEI Int	79	-1	6.3	8.0	5.2
68	32½	Gallifd Brindley	63	..	15.6	25.1	4.5
16	7½	Garford Lilley	15	-½	1.2	8.1	5.2
106	67	Garnar Scotblair	102	..	7.2	7.1	4.9
339	163	GEC	309	..	6.1	2.0	11.0
104½	96½	Do F Rate	£99¾	+¼	1106	11.1	..
27	12	Gen Eng (Rad)	14	..	..	..	19.7
330	185	Gen Mtr BDR	195	• -10	10.1g	5.2	18.9
204	124	Gestetner 'A'	145	+1	6.3	4.3	8.1
91	32¾	Gibbons Dudley	59	..	4.0	6.7	2.9
105	35	Gieves Grp	87	• +1	7.5	8.6	5.8
166	80¾	Gill & Duffus	242	-1	7.3	3.1	8.7
77	23	Gillspur Ltd	57	+1	4.4	7.7	6.0
86	36	Glass & Metal	76	..	4.3	5.6	5.4
37	13	Glass Glover	23	..	1.9	8.3	6.3
667	400	Glaxo Hldgs	533	+3	17.0	3.3	10.9
54	19	Gleeson M. J.	37	+1	2.9	7.8	5.7
68	34	Glossop & W.J.	57	-1	5.9	10.3	6.0
124	56	Glynwed	100	-1	12.4	12.4	6.1
80	39	Goldbg & Sons	72	..	6.1	8.5	12.2
87	41	Gomme Hldgs	64	-1	5.0	7.9	13.7
95	60	Gordon & Gotch	85	..	4.5	5.3	7.1
29	11	Gordon L. Grp	23	..	..	..	19.3
72	47	Grampian Hldgs	56	+1	6.0	10.6	14.3
126	42½	Granada 'A'	108	+1	3.1	2.9	11.8
130½	62½	Grand Met Ltd	104½	+1	6.7	6.4	8.7
138	77	Grattan W'hse	94	-3	8.3	8.9	7.3
345	192	Gt Univ Stores	300	+2	12.5	4.2	12.0
346	175	Do A	296	+4	12.5	4.2	11.9
55½	17¾	Greenfield Mill	44½	..	2.7	6.2	5.5
72	29	Gripperrods	58	+1	4.7	8.1	4.8
368	248	GKN	264	• ..	23.7	9.0	7.8
137	49	HTV Grp	111	..	14.0	12.6	7.0
124	71	Haden Carrier	105	..	12.2	11.6	13.9
142	35	Haggas J.	132	+3	1.1g	0.8	11.7
123	82½	Hall Eng	100	..	7.2	7.2	5.6
277	98½	Hall M.	204	..	10.7	5.3	8.5
47¾	6½	Halma Ltd	37	+1	1.1	3.0	6.6
104	50	Hammex Corp	67	..	4.4	6.5	4.6
161	30½	Hanson Trust	131	..	10.0	7.6	6.4
51	24	Hardy Furn	35	..	0.3	0.8	..
43	23	Do A	33½	..	0.3	0.9	..
62	38	Hargreaves Grp	60	..	4.9	8.1	9.5
59	34½	Harris Sheldon	48	..	4.8	9.9	8.1
125	45	Harrison T.C.	102	• ..	6.4	6.3	6.5
575	278¾	Harrison Cros	512	-13	33.0a	6.4	10.2
118	52	Hartwells Grp	97	• -1	10.0	10.3	2.9
248	113	Hawker Sidd	229	• +2	6.5	2.8	9.6
77	43	Hawkins & T'son	64	..	6.1	9.5	4.2
13¾	3½	Hawtin	11½	..	..	..	9.8
149	57	Hays Wharf	130	+7	7.7	5.9	13.5
60	17¼	Headlam Sims	47	• -1	2.5	5.4	3.8
29¾	8½	Helene of Ldn	23	..	1.0	4.4	5.3
41	20	Helical Bar	23	..	..	..	76.7
90	33½	Hend'son Kent	74	-1	3.7	5.0	7.5
237½	84½	Henly's	120	..	13.0b	10.8	4.9
180	36¾	Hepworth Cer	77½	..	5.3	6.9	6.2
82	29¾	Hepworth J.	56	-5	3.8	6.8	8.8
12	6½	Herman Smith	11½	-½	..	..	..
131¾	72	Hestair	75	• -3	10.4b	13.9	3.9
74	14¾	Hewden-Stuart	71	..	1.8	2.5	8.9
25	11	Hewitt J.	25	..	1.6	6.2	5.7
112	63	Hicking P'cost	104	..	10.9	10.3	5.1
233	88¾	Hickson Welch	208	-4	5.4	2.6	5.6
97	36	Higgs & Hill	65	+1	5.5	8.5	3.6
80	22¾	Hill & Smith	64	..	5.3	8.3	4.0
150	76	Hill C. Bristol	80	..	..	..	25.3
300	71	Hillards	200	..	7.5	3.6	6.2
98	66	Hoffnung S.	77	..	6.4	8.3	8.5
72	35	Hollas Grp	64	..	6.9	10.8	6.2
73	34	Hollis Bros.	64	..	6.8	10.6	7.6
179	70	Holt Lloyd	156	..	11.6	7.4	11.3
234	90	Home Charm	270	-2	5.0	2.8	14.3
410	195	Hoover	246	-6	22.5	9.1	9.6
412	195	Do A	245	+2	22.5	9.2	9.5
121	55	Hopkinsons	96	+1	7.8	8.1	5.5
121½	37	Horizon Mid	119	..	8.6	7.3	12.1
176	71	Hse of Fraser	147	..	7.5	5.1	10.9
90	28	Hoveringham	87	..	3.5	4.0	7.3
87	21½	Do RV	83	..	3.5	4.2	7.0
32	11¾	Howard & Wynd	27	..	1.0	3.7	7.0
29	10½	Do A	23	..	1.0	4.3	6.0
32	23	Howard Mach	27	..	1.8	6.6	18.9
38¾	17	Howard Tenens	26	+1	2.6	10.0	..
90	44	Howden Grp	80	+1	7.1	8.9	7.8
16¾	9¾	Hudsons Bay	£15⅝	+⅜	31.2	2.5	12.1
30	16	Hunt Moscrop	27	..	1.2	4.4	9.8
377	76	Hunting Assoc	270	-10	4.9	1.8	9.6
52¾	18	Huntleigh Grp	46	-1	1.1	2.4	9.8
118	47	Hutch Whamp	69	-½	..	..	..
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487	150	ICL	422	..	11.6	2.8	7.7
136	75	IDC Grp	136	..	13.9	11.1	23.7
60	46	IMI	56½	+½	5.3	9.5	6.8
190	74	Ibstock Johns'n	165	..	9.7	5.9	6.2
445	329½	Imp Chem Ind	385	+5	28.5	7.3	8.0
86	65	Imperial Grp	81	+½	8.8	10.8	6.1
33	17	Ingall Ind	29	..	2.8	9.8	9.4
40	25	Ingram H.	29	+1	..	..	19.1
95	51½	Initial Services	86	..	7.6	8.8	6.7
85	41¾	Int Paint	79	+1	3.4	4.3	6.4
305	242	Int Thomson	245	+3	7.7	3.1	7.6
250	200	Do Conv Pref	304	-2	15.9	7.6	..
145	70	Int Timber	123	..	10.7	8.7	7.7
82	47	Inveresk Grp	62	..	7.4	12.0	7.2
11¾	6⅜	Itoh BDR	£8⅞	..	8.6	1.0	..
67¼	24½	JB Hldgs	58	• ..	1.6	2.8	5.7
30	12	Jacks W.	22	..	1.5	6.8	..
75	37	Jacksons B'End	65	..	3.0	4.7	9.6
18¼	8½	James M. Ind	12¼	..	1.5	12.4	9.1
358	140	Jardine M'son	191	-15	6.5	3.4	..
197	96	Jarvis J.	168	..	14.6	9.0	9.5
46	16	Jessups Hldgs	37	• -1½	3.6	8.0	4.2
75	43¾	Johnson & F B	68	• ..	7.2	10.4	6.9
113	57	Johnson Grp	95	-1	6.1	6.6	7.0
493	307	Johnson Matt	440	..	20.6	4.7	8.5
134	36	Johnson-Richd	87	..	2.7b	3.1	6.0
199	137	Jones (Ernest)	150	..	..	..	..
108	43½	Jones Stroud	101	..	7.2	7.0	5.1
45	21	Jourdan T.	38	..	4.4	11.6	4.2
81	27	K Shoes	69	..	3.8	5.5	6.3
37	19½	Kalamazoo	34½	..	3.2	9.4	8.7
135	36	Kalsey Ind	99	..	4.8	4.8	4.6
84	49½	Kenning Mtr	71	..	6.9	9.7	5.3
44	21	Kent M. P.	41	..	3.4	8.2	6.7
132	52¾	Kode Int	121	• -2	7.4	6.1	6.5
39½	13½	Kwik-Fit Hldgs	47½	• -½	1.3	2.8	12.7
137½	65¾	Kwik Save Disc	84	+3	3.9	4.7	12.8
101	63	LCP Hldgs	88	..	8.3b	9.5	6.2
46	29½	LRC Int	34½	..	4.4	12.8	8.5
156	60	LWT Hldgs 'A'	134	..	10.5	7.8	8.1
216	88	Ladbroke	182	+3	11.8a	7.3	4.2
64	25¾	Ladies Pride	58	..	4.4	7.6	7.3
87	73	Laing J.	73	..	3.7b	5.1	..
87	71	Do A	71	..	3.7b	5.3	..
106½	40	Laird Grp Ltd	96	+½	4.5b	4.6	7.0
65	43	Lake & Elliot	54	• +2	5.8	10.8	6.6
54	31	Lambert H'wth	49	..	5.0	10.1	6.3
78	28	Lane P. Grp	45	+1	5.0	11.2	3.1
121	83¾	Laporte Ind	109	..	10.7	10.1	10.9
130	68	Latham J.	105	..	11.4	10.9	8.5
136	45	Laurence Scott	104	..	7.6	7.3	5.1
110	83	Lawrence W.	92	..	10.9	11.6	7.3
72	34	Lawtex	65	• +5	4.8	7.4	4.3
177	128	Lead Industries	148	..	11.6	7.9	6.1
62	36	Le-Bas E.	41	..	2.9	7.1	..
35	15¾	Lee A.	22½	..	2.3	10.0	4.9
180	22	Lee Cooper	163	..	3.7	2.3	6.1
172	60¾	Leigh Int	116	-1	6.6b	5.7	14.3
117	45½	Leisure C'van	106	+2	5.1	4.8	13.8
45	27	Lennons Grp	34	..	2.5	7.4	6.7
263	113	Lep Grp	243	..	5.2a	2.2	6.9
97	57	Lesney Ord	76	..	4.5	5.8	5.4
167	70	Letraset	128	..	8.2	6.4	7.7
91½	42	Lex Services	74½	+½	6.8a	9.2	5.2
195	31¾	Liberty Ord	177	-2	4.4	2.5	9.5
88	33	Lilley F. J. C.	67	..	3.9	5.8	6.2
61	30	Lincroft Klg	51	+1	5.8	11.3	2.8
181	58	Lindustries	130	..	13.6	10.5	5.5
197½	100	Linfood Hldgs	137	..	14.2	10.4	6.8
39	19	Linread	32	• -1	3.7	11.7	5.1
61	32	Lister & Co	30	-1	2.5	3.0	6.8
79	64	Lloyd F. H.	64	..	8.1	12.8	5.9
21¼	9	Locker T.	18	..	1.3	7.3	6.9
17¾	8¾	Do A	17¼	..	1.3	7.7	8.6
120	58	Lockwoods Fds	103	..	6.2	6.0	5.8
110	49	Ldn & M'land	98	+1	10.2	10.4	7.2
43½	22	Ldn & N'thern	37	+1	3.3	9.0	9.6
85	39	Ldn Brick Co	66	..	5.1	7.7	5.2
217	94	Ldn Prov Post	205	..	15.0	7.3	7.7
76	31	Longton Trans	60	..	5.8	8.4	4.4
87	56	Lonrho	64	..	10.0	15.7	3.8
92	39	Lonsdale Univ	84	..	7.7	9.2	5.9
74	26	Lookers	51	..	3.9	7.6	2.7
120	44	Lovell Hldgs	105	..	5.9	5.6	5.0
200	120	Low & Bonar	168	-2	17.3	10.3	8.4
337	204	Lucas Ind	292	• -6	13.7	4.7	4.9
159	47	Lyons J. Ord	151	h ..	11.5h	7.6	..
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146	16½	MFI Furn	140	..	3.3	2.4	6.6
241	87	MK Electric	208	+3	8.9	4.3	6.5
245	48	ML Hldgs	165	-3	6.5	4.0	11.1
77	37	MY Dart	54½	• ..	3.6	6.7	6.0
315	138	McCorquodale	262	..	23.5	9.0	7.4
49	15	McInerney Prop	35	..	3.0	8.7	9.9
19	10	McCleery L'Amie	15½	..	0.3	1.8	..
49	25	Mackay H.	45	..	4.9	10.9	21.2
102	60¾	McKechnie Bros	96	..	8.3	8.6	6.4
52½	12½	Mackinnon Scot	47	..	2.5	5.3	6.1
60	31	McNeill Grp	31	f ..	..	..	..
81	37	Macpherson D.	74	..	4.5	6.0	8.0
130	75¾	Magnet & Sthns	125	..	9.0	7.2	6.5
38½	29	Mallinson Denny	31	• ..	4.2	8.2	6.5
98	50	Man Agcy Music	90	+2	8.6	9.5	6.9
293	177	Man Ship Canal	268	..	23.8	8.9	14.6
100	14	Mang Bronze	57	• -3	3.1	5.5	2.6
35	8½	Maple Hldgs	20½	..	..	..	..
166	108	Marchwiel	108	..	7.6	7.0	..
93	47½	Marks & Spencer	83	+1	3.5	4.3	16.1
99	46	Marley Ltd	79	+1	3.8	5.4	6.2
37	9¾	Marling Ind	34	..	1.6	4.6	7.7
58½	31	Marshall Cav	48½	..	6.6	13.7	8.2
52	27	Marshall T Lox	45	..	3.9	8.7	2.7
53	28	Do A	43	..	3.9	9.1	2.6
180	95	Marshalls Univ	142	+2	10.6	7.4	4.7
97	45	Martin-Black	45	..	3.0	6.6	..
260	95½	Martin-News	210	-4	11.0	5.2	5.8
230	91	Martonair	188	..	9.0	4.8	10.9
85	48	May & Hassell	67	+1	4.6	6.9	22.9
150	60	Maynards	131	-3	8.0	6.3	9.4
31	13	Mears Bros	18	..	..	..	75.0
36	10½	Medminster	36	• ..	3.0	8.4	8.7
110	50	Melody Mills	86	..	4.9	5.1	7.1
17	9	Mentmore Mfg	15	• ..	1.4	9.1	12.0
200	38	Menzies J.	185	• -3	4.0	2.1	9.6
382	246	Metal Box	312	+8	22.2	7.1	5.0
109	65	Metal Closures	100	-1	6.7	6.7	8.3
55	12¾	Metalrax	47	..	1.7	3.7	9.1
77	28	Metoy	66	..	3.5	5.4	4.7
98	44	Meyer M. L.	79	..	7.1	9.0	6.5
48	19½	Midland Ind	39	..	1.6	4.8	5.7
60	17¼	Milbury	42	..	3.6	8.7	3.4
206	25	Mills & Allen	200	+2	31.4	15.7	5.4
115	28	Mining Supplies	109	-1	1.9	1.7	14.8
49	38½	Mit Cotts Grp.	43	..	5.2	12.0	5.1
59	24½	Mitchell Somers	51	..	2.4	4.7	3.8
76	43	Mixconcrete	62	..	5.1	8.2	10.0
55	22¾	Modern Eng	49	..	4.2	8.8	10.4
155	97	Molins	132	..	11.1	8.4	9.8
49	23¾	Monk A.	34	..	3.3	5.5	3.4
50½	31	M'santo 5% Ln	146	..	500	10.9	..
59½	40	Do 6¼ Ln	154	..	625	11.6	..
230	98	Do 5% Cnv	£101	-1	500	5.0	..
74	35	Montfort Knit	74	+2	5.5	7.4	9.3
90¾	31	Moss O'Ferrall	74	..	5.0	6.6	9.1
138	86	Morgan Cruc	115	• -4	8.9	7.8	6.2
78	24	Morgan Edwds	75	-1	..	..	..
53	24	Morrall Abel	43	..	3.7	8.5	4.6
115	36	Morris & Blakey	110	• -2	6.3	5.7	13.9
93	33	Do A	84	• -4	6.3	7.4	9.9
147	36¾	Moss Bros	134	..	4.8	3.9	20.3
73	46	Moss Eng	64	• -5	6.9	10.8	7.4
210	101	Mothercare	152	• ..	4.6	3.0	15.0
15½	8	Moxitex	13	..	0.5	3.9	14.6
144	48	Mowlem J.	102	..	9.9	9.8	5.5
220	127¾	Muirhead	146	..	7.6	4.1	14.2
74	39	Myson Grp	53	+2	1.9	3.6	30.8
120	43¾	NSS News	95	..	3.1	3.2	8.6
66	27	Nathan B. & I.	36	-1	3.1	9.1	8.2
67	35	Nat Carbon	39	+2	..	..	..
42	12	Needlers	41½	..	2.3e	5.5	8.9
49	30½	Neepsend	40½	+1½	4.9	12.1	5.3
94	37	Negretti & Zam	83	+1	5.5	6.7	11.9
108	69	Neill J.	84	..	9.7	11.5	4.0
187	45	Newarthill	148	..	7.3	5.0	4.6
97	33½	Newman Ind	82	..	9.0	10.9	3.2
72	33	Newman Tonks	61	..	6.1	9.9	5.2
290	88	Newmark L.	285	..	10.3	3.8	8.2
109	51	Norcros	59	-1	6.7	7.5	6.1
44	31	Norfolk C Grp	37	..	0.9b	2.5	15.4
49	26	Normand Elec	43	..	4.3	10.0	6.0
142½	54	NEI	129	+1½	9.9	7.6	6.7
116	43¾	Nimi Foods	97	..	5.7b	5.9	11.5
126	22	Norton & Wright	126	+3	3.2	2.5	15.4
38½	6	Norton W. E.	30	-1	1.2	4.0	8.9
107	52	Norwest Holst	88	+2	7.0	7.9	4.0
147	60	Notts Mfg	127	..	5.1	4.0	7.4
122	45½	Nurdin & Peacock	74	..	2.9	3.9	7.9
38½	17½	Nu-Swift Ind	28½	..	2.5	8.7	13.5
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107	68	Ocean Wilsons	82	-1	4.4	5.3	7.4
131	55	Office & Elect	116	..	6.4	5.4	7.6
116	50	Olivez Grp	103	+2	4.8a	4.7	9.2
23⅞	11⅞	Ogilvy & M	£14¾	+¼	51.7	3.5	10.2
127	43	Owen Owen	115	..	4.5	3.9	10.8
74	7	Oxley Printing	59	..	3.9	6.7	2.3
86¾	37¾	Parker Knoll 'A'	80	s -2	3.6	4.5	5.2
115	60	Parker Timber	107	..	9.2	8.6	5.8
83	14	Paterson R.	38	..	3.5	8.9	6.0
230	136¾	Paterson Zoch	170	-5	11.9	7.0	3.0
225	117¾	Do A NV	165	-5	11.9	7.2	2.9
135	62½	Pauls & Whites	111	..	6.5	5.9	6.6
267	103	Pearson Long	212	..	9.1	4.3	8.7
240	123	Pearson & Son	208	+1	11.5	5.6	8.7
37½	34½	Do 4% Ln	£31	-2½	400	12.9	..
284	148	Pegler-Hatt	138	..	11.6	7.4	6.0
29¼	6	Pentland Ind	20½	..	1.1	5.1	4.8
111	42	Pentos	93	-1	7.3	7.7	5.7
108	63	Perkin El 4%	£92	..	..	..	..
341	30½	Perry H. Mtrs	106	..	4.6	4.3	3.7
87	43	Petrocon Grp	42	..	6.9	16.4	8.5
64	51	Philips-Fin 5¼	£51½	-2½	575	11.2	..
11	7⅞	Philips Lamps	£8⅞	-⅛	42.1	4.3	..
21	7	Philips Pats	17	..	..	..	13.7
150	67	P'dilly Theatre	175	..	2.7	2.3	32.3
19	11	Pickles W.	16	..	0.7	4.4	11.0
112	54	Pifco Hldgs	90	..	4.6	5.1	6.3
100	52	Do A	83	..	4.6	5.4	5.9
325	138¾	Pilkington Bros	280	..	8.8	3.1	7.8
59¾	39¾	Pittard Grp	48	-4	4.4	9.2	4.5
98	40½	Plaxtons	97	..	8.4	5.8	5.2
79	31	Pleasurama	68	..	3.1	4.4	5.8
125	82	Plessey	105	..	5.3	7.9	5.6
18¼	7½	Do ADR	£14¾	+¾	..	..	..
108	42	Plysu	104	..	2.1	2.0	6.7
298	136	Portals Hldgs	210	• -6	12.3	5.9	8.8
127	51	Porter Chad	94	• -2	8.1	8.6	4.4
74	32	Portsmth News	74	..	4.8	6.4	6.9
223	119	Powell Duffryn	186	..	15.2	8.2	4.6
74	50	Pratt F. Eng	68	..	7.6	11.1	5.7
89	32	Preedy A.	80	-1	4.3	5.4	5.0
32	13¾	Press W.	26	..	1.4	5.2	7.0
185	107	Prestige Grp	177	..	8.5	4.8	10.2
46	27	Prestwich Pkr	37	..	4.6	12.3	10.1
203	135	Pretoria P Cem	145	+5	17.1	11.8	2.8
97	45	Priest B.	77	..	6.3	10.8	4.2
43	18½	Pritchard Serv	37½	• ..	2.3	6.2	6.2
106	53	Pullman R & J.	86	..	..	..	..
113	37	Pye Hldgs	77	..	5.4	7.0	4.9
66	23	Pyke W. J.	66	+1	1.0	1.5	..
48	23	Pyramid Grp	40	..	3.7	9.3	7.8
22⅜	14	Quaker Oats	£16¼	+¼	60.9	3.7	8.7
46	6½	Queens Moat	40½	..	0.5	1.2	44.0
84	31	R.F.D. Group	63	-1	2.4	3.8	3.8
380	117	Racal Elect	320	+6	5.9	1.8	13.6
293	140	Rank Org Ord	241	..	12.1	5.0	7.6
61	38½	RHM	52	+1	5.2	10.0	6.8
67	50	RMP	60½	-½	5.8b	9.6	7.9
188	66	Ransomes Sims	160	-5	13.1	8.2	4.9
83	38¾	Ratcliffe P. S.	83	..	6.0	9.6	6.9
79	15½	Ratners	66	+8	3.6	5.4	9.2
101	31¾	Rayback Ltd	90	..	5.1	5.7	10.5
48	29½	Readicut Int	42	• -½	2.5	5.8	8.8
135	72	RMC	125	+1	9.2	7.3	7.2
530	330	Reckitt & Colmn	437	• -3	17.0	3.9	8.4
90	39	Record Ridgway	79	..	7.5b	9.5	6.7
336	78	Redfearn Nat	283	-2	24.0	8.5	3.6
109	64	Rediffusion	81	+1	7.3	8.0	12.2
172	86	Redland	154	+1	6.4	4.1	7.7
82½	16	Redman Heenan	56	-1½	3.1	5.4	3.8
106	32	Reed A.	90	..	4.4	4.9	7.7
106	32	Do A NV	90	..	4.4	4.9	7.7
90	18	Reed Exec	77	..	4.6	6.0	10.7
236	102	Reed Int	153	• +1	11.9	7.8	7.3
25¾	14¾	Reliance Grp	£25	..	80.7	3.3	6.7
55	19	Reliance Knit	54	..	5.4	9.9	4.6
58	44	Renold Cons	50	..	9.7	19.3	2.4
164	112	Renold Ltd	131	+1	14.5	11.0	7.7
73	35	Rentokil Grp	68	+1	2.7	4.0	13.4
49	17	Renwick Grp	46	..	1.5	3.2	4.1
74	17	Restmor Grp	62	..	2.7	4.3	6.2
72	45¾	Revertex	61	..	5.2	8.5	7.3
71	37	Rexmore	64	..	6.4	10.1	8.1
355	68	Ricardo Eng	297	+6	10.6a	3.6	12.7
95	37	Richards & Wall	77	..	7.1	9.2	4.9
23¾	14	Rich'n-Merrell	£15¾	..	88.8	3.5	11.1
46	35	Richardsons W.	45	• +1	6.8	15.6	6.6
160	71½	Rockware Grp	117	+2	8.2	7.0	3.3
129	55	Rolls-R Motors	100	..	7.9	7.9	9.8
59½	25	Ropner Hldgs	48	..	2.2	9.1	5.8
49	24½	Do A	40	..	3.3	8.1	5.4
31	4½	Rospil Hldgs	26	..	..	..	7.3
56	30	Rotaflex	48	..	2.5	5.3	5.5
52	22	Rotaprint	37	..	4.4	13.8	3.2
69½	32	Rothmns Int 'B'	59½	..	3.1	5.2	7.7
80½	46	Rotork Ltd	50	..	1.9	3.8	5.8
198	88	Routledge & K	190	..	6.1	3.2	10.7
33	16	Rowlinson Con	28	-2	0.9	3.3	7.4
449	229	Rowntree Mac	389	+2	19.7b	5.1	9.5
170	64	Rowton Hotels	149	..	9.9	6.7	14.8
171	84	Royal Worcs	165	..	10.0	6.1	20.1
45	14	Royco Grp	42½	..	3.0	7.1	11.9
47	18	Ruberoid	39	..	3.5	8.9	8.5
90	46	Rugby Cement	74	..	5.9	8.0	9.1
166	58	SGB Grp	153	+1	9.3	6.5	9.0
19	7½	SKF 'B'	£9½	+¼	479	5.0	4.7
132½	30	Saatchi	103	+4	5.5	5.4	10.5
255	130	Sainsbury J.	230	-3	9.4	4.1	9.4
26½	16	St Gobain	£24½	+1½	173	7.0	35.2
167½	56¾	Sale Tilney	139	+1	8.0	5.8	7.5
209	56	Samuel H.	179	-1	7.6	4.2	10.8
189½	54½	Do A	175	+1	7.6	4.3	10.6
79	41	Sanderson Kay	62	-1	6.3	10.3	7.5
41	30	Sanderson Mur	38	..	5.2	13.6	7.2
56	27	Sanger J. E.	33	..	..	..	6.5
119	74	Sangers	81	..	8.8	10.9	7.1
87	30	Savoy Hotel 'A'	65	..	1.5	2.4	10.4
116	69	Scapa Grp	103	..	8.3	8.0	6.1
304	193	Scholes G. H.	303	..	28.1	9.3	10.4
92	41	Scotcros	69	• ..	5.0	7.3	6.9
78	34	S.E.E.T.	62	..	2.8	4.5	3.6
47	13½	Scot Heritable	43	• ..	1.4	3.3	5.1
74	35	Scottish TV 'A'	68	..	3.7	5.5	4.8
133	35	Scot Univ Inv	123	..	11.0	8.9	7.9
44½	16¾	Sears Hldgs	38½	+½	1.9	5.3	13.7
135	47¾	Securicor Grp	120	..	3.8	3.2	9.0
135	43	Do NV	115	..	3.8	3.2	8.8
135	56	Security Serv	122	..	5.3	4.3	7.3
135	53¾	Do A	120	..	5.3	4.4	7.2
41	11½	Sekers Int	31	..	2.3	7.4	7.6
29¾	16¾	Selincourt	26¾	-½	1.9	7.1	3.3
38	18	Senior Eng	27	..	1.9	8.1	7.2
129	44	Serck	80	..	9.9b	12.4	6.6
30½	25	Shakespeare J.	27½	..	2.9	10.6	8.5
73	13	Shaw Carpets	67	..	3.6	5.7	20.3
101	55	Sherpbridge	64	• -1	6.7	10.5	6.7
14¾	3½	Sherman S.	12½	..	..	..	..
106	62	Sidlaw Ind	95	..	9.1	10.7	9.8
218	113	Siebe Gorman	198	+3	8.6	4.3	7.0
67	30	Siemssen Hunt	53	..	4.7	8.8	6.6
173	150	Signode 7% Cn	£150	-5	700	4.7	..
109	28	Silentnight	93	..	4.4	4.7	5.0
296	129	Simon Eng	254	• -5	12.3	4.8	6.9
120	36	Simpson S.	110	• ..	6.4	5.8	7.7
113	36	Do A	109	• ..	6.4	5.9	7.8
99	31	Sirdar	89	+1	4.7	4.7	6.2
106	54	600 Group	93	..	8.8	9.5	7.9
135	61	Sketchley	118	+2	8.2	6.9	9.1
41	16	Smallshaw R.	33	..	..	..	3.7
55	21½	Smart J.	37	..	3.0	8.2	5.7
107	28	Smith D. S.	80	..	4.0	5.0	7.0
80	39½	Smith & Neph	63½	+1	3.9	5.9	7.8
191	67¾	Smith W. H. 'A'	144	..	3.1	2.2	18.2
220	120	Smiths Ind	196	+3	11.4	5.8	9.0
216	84¾	Smurfit	192	+2	13.7	6.9	10.0
32	15	Sobranie	32	..	2.7	8.3	32.7
31	15	Do NV	31	..	2.7	8.6	31.6
63	42	Solicitors Law	59	..	5.9	11.3	14.1
326	156	Sotheby P. B.	319	+3	12.9b	4.1	13.3
171	111	Spear & Jackson	126	..	14.2	11.3	12.6
243	100	Spear J. W.	218	..	2.5	1.3	6.5
19	7	Spencer Gears	14	• ..	0.9	5.7	4.3
39½	25½	Spillers	30¼	+¼	2.0	6.6	7.4
184	70	Spirax-Sarco	154	+4	7.1	4.8	12.1
130½	32¾	Staffs Potts	120	s +1½	4.7	3.9	6.1
129	40½	Stag Furniture	137	+1	7.7	5.6	9.7
48	12	Stakis (Reo)	35	..	1.2	3.3	15.0
173	47½	Stanley A. G.	147	-5	6.4b	4.4	10.9
120	41	Startrite Eng	110	..	6.4	5.8	4.4
306	163	Staveley Ind	268	• -6	15.0	5.6	5.8
250	102¾	Steel Bros	190	-1	9.9	5.2	8.4
254	134	Steetley Co	178	-1	10.2	5.8	4.4
22	9	Steinberg	22	+2½	1.5	6.6	12.6
60	35	Stew't & Ll 8%	47	..	..	..	..
85	33	Stocklake Hldgs	59	..	3.9	6.6	3.2
182	93	Stocks J. & Son	150	..	6.6	4.4	4.3
114	60¾	Stonehill	107	+1	8.1	8.5	12.1
149	93	Stone Platt	104	..	4.1	5.8	5.0
255	98	Stothert & Pitt	225	• -10	10.2	8.5	3.3
43½	20	Streeters	21	..	..	29.1	13.3
87	54	Strong & Fisher	64	..	5.0	10.0	10.0
41	11	Sunbeam W'sley	41	+4	4.3	10.5	8.4
72	25	Sutcliffe S'man	55	..	8.8	15.5	7.3
177	63¾	Swire Pacific 'A'	111	-11	..	..	..
184	44	Swithne	142	-2	5.4	3.9	5.4
21	8	Symonds Eng	17	..	2.0	12.0	9.3
		T — Z					
31	9	Tace	25	..	1.9	7.4	4.4
18¾	8⅝	Takeda Bdr	£16⅜	-⅛	20.2	1.2	46.8
25½	3	Talbex Grp	14½	+½	0.8	5.5	6.4
220	124	Tarmac Ltd	145	+4	15.8	10.8	6.9
290	145	Tate & Lyle	178	..	20.4	11.4	4.3
139	78	Tavener R'tlge	74	..	..	..	10.7
94	43	Taylor Pallis	90	..	6.7	7.4	5.6
304	234	Taylor Woodrow	408	..	11.6	2.8	9.7
159	55	Tecalemit	130	+1	5.4b	6.5	6.8
43	16	Telefusion	33	+1	2.0	6.0	33.4
42	17	Do A	31	..	2.0	6.4	12.6
156	84	Telephone Rent	132	+2	9.1	6.9	11.4
57	33	Tesco	53	+1	2.5	4.7	10.0
34	11	Textured Jersey	30	..	1.5	4.8	7.6
139	81	Thermal Synd	98	-2	6.8	6.9	5.2
450	196¾	Thorn Electric	352	+4	17.4	4.9	8.5
23	8¾	Thurgar Bardex	23	+1	1.2	5.0	8.1
318	164	Tilbury Cont	290	..	30.4	10.8	5.5
147	64½	Tilling T.	120	+2	6.8	5.7	6.5
209	58	Time Products	173	• -1	7.9	4.6	6.6
30	8	Titaghur Jute	10	..	..	..	..
35	10	Tomkins F. H.	23	..	1.5	6.4	6.9
54	31	Tootal	45	• -1	4.3	9.5	5.8
70	16	Toye	61	-1	1.9	3.1	7.7
75	32½	Tozer Kemsley	50	• -2	4.8	9.6	4.4
165	85	Trafalgar H Ltd.	114	+2	8.8b	7.5	7.1
82	48	Trans Paper	65½	-½	7.5	11.4	9.0
85	48	Transport Dev	65	..	5.0	7.4	11.0
194	77	Travis & Arnold	161	..	5.9	3.7	7.1
90	25	Tricoville	82	-2	3.5	4.3	5.8
61	31½	Trident TV 'A'	48	..	4.4	9.2	6.0
103	29¾	Triefus & Co	102	..	2.8	2.8	10.8
105	50	Triplex Found	86	+1	7.0	8.2	4.2
250	114	Trust Hse Forte	232	+5	13.4	5.8	9.5
435	311½	Tube Invest	373	+2	33.2	8.9	4.6
312	137	Tunnel Hldgs 'B'	270	..	16.6	6.2	2.4
13½	7	Turner Curzon	8¼	k ..	1.1	13.1	5.0
233	132	Turner Newall	174	-1	17.4	10.0	5.8
142	53	Turner Mfg	142	..	6.1	4.3	5.4
94	27	Turriff	81	..	3.5	4.3	4.7
109	54	UDS Grp	90	+1	8.0	8.9	9.7
192	138	UKO Int	149	..	13.3	8.9	8.0
109	65	Unicorn Ind	92	-4	8.6	9.3	6.7
76	42	Unigate	70	..	5.2	7.4	7.9
600	412	Unilever	539	+7	20.8	3.9	9.4
28⅞	20⅝	Do NV	£24⅝	+⅛	123	5.0	7.8
177	53	Unitech	155	+2	6.1a	3.8	13.9
94	63¾	Utd Biscuit	79	• ..	4.5	5.7	8.8
72	21¾	Utd City Merc	46	• -1	1.2	2.6	6.0
78	20	Utd Eng	70	..	3.7	5.2	11.9
70	31¾	Utd Gas Ind	58	-1	5.6	9.7	6.3
403	198	Utd News	340	..	22.1	6.5	6.3
382	91¾	Utd Scientific	256	..	9.1	3.6	10.7
58	19	Valor	50	+1	3.2	6.5	4.6
137	78	Vantona	119	..	8.1	6.8	5.4
230	96	Vereeniging Ref	200	..	19.7	9.8	5.4
200	84	Vibroplant	185	..	16.1	8.7	10.8
242	144	Vickers	192	• -2	14.9	7.7	7.0
40	26	Vita-Tex	37	..	5.3	9.3	7.5
228	71	Vosper	190	-5	7.6b	4.0	7.0
79	37	W Ribbons	57	..	5.0	8.8	5.4
138	70	WGI	123	..	8.8	7.1	7.8
282	111	Waddington J.	192	..	17.1	8.9	10.9
33	14	Wade Potteries	27	..	1.7	6.2	7.3
140	70	Wadkin	133	..	9.5	7.1	5.0
159	83	Wagon Ind	140	+2	11.8	8.3	7.5
132	79½	Walker C & W	115	..	10.0	8.7	4.8
128	32	Walker J. Gold	108	..	3.8	3.2	6.4
118	32	Do NV	99	+3	3.6	3.6	5.8
117	59½	Ward & Gold	91	..	6.8	7.6	7.9
82	39½	Ward T. W.	71	..	6.2	8.7	7.9
110	19	Ward White	90	..	6.1	6.8	4.8
36	13	Wardle B.	36	..	2.0	5.6	7.1
135	44½	Waring & Gillow	124	..	5.4	4.4	7.4
67	29¾	Warne Wright	63	h ..	4.2	6.6	7.6
65	18½	Warrington T.	48	..	4.7	9.9	17.8
64	21¾	Waterford Glass	55	..	2.2	4.0	8.8
104	38½	Watmoughs	96	..	6.1	6.3	7.9
136	66	Watts Blake	117	+1	4.4	3.7	11.9
40	17	Wearwell	34	..	..	..	9.7
59	15	Websters Pub	55	..	2.0	3.7	9.0
150	71½	Weir Grp	98	• +2	8.1	8.3	5.3
29½	11½	Wellco Hldgs	24	..	1.7b	7.1	7.2
39½	31	Wellman Eng	45	..	3.6	8.1	6.8
66	22	Westbrick Pds	54	..	2.3	4.2	8.9
65	38	Westinghse Brke	57	..	3.4	5.9	6.1
69½	30	Westland Air	37	+1	4.8	13.0	9.6
9	9	Westminster Inv	9	f ..	..	..	..
26	15	Wharf Mill	25	..	2.2	8.8	..
54	28	Whatlings	39	..	3.9	10.0	7.5
65	26	Wh'lock Mar	40	-4	..	..	..
107	51	Whessoe	76	+1	7.2	9.5	4.2
23	8	Whewlay Watson	22	..	1.3	5.8	7.4
132	41	White Child	108	..	7.0	6.5	7.5
112	60	Whitecroft	106	-1	10.0	9.4	6.8
54	18	Whiteley BSW	28	-1	..	..	..
240	58	Wholesale Fit	210	+1	8.9	4.2	9.0
276	95	Wigfall H.	223	..	20.5	9.2	9.6
37	11	Wiggins Constr	34	..	2.5	7.4	8.1
128	55	Wight Cons	116	..	11.4	9.8	8.6
214	129	Wilkins'n Match	177	..	15.2	8.6	7.9
104	70	Do 10% Conv	£90	..	1000	11.1	..
54	28¾	Wills J. Cardiff	46	..	4.2	9.1	6.0
48	28	Willis G. & Sons	55	..	2.6	4.7	5.7
91½	31	Wilmot Breeden	58	..	4.6	7.9	4.3
47	17½	Wilson Bros	37½	..	2.1	5.7	6.6
100	38	Wimpey G	78	..	1.0	1.3	7.7
84	24	Wimn Ind	46	-1	4.7	10.3	5.8
57	28¾	Witter T.	47	..	4.8	10.2	11.1
220	92	W'ley Hughes	208	+8	11.2	5.4	6.5
56	12	Wood & Sons	46	..	2.5	5.4	7.9
48	20	Wood S. W.	43	..	6.5	15.1	..
101	63	Wood Hall Tst	87	• -4	8.1	9.3	9.5
127	46½	Woodhead J.	93	+2	5.6	6.2	5.0
52	26	Wor'ise Rixson	28	+½	3.5	12.5	20.2
72½	49	Woolworth	66½	+½	6.3	9.6	12.1
343	140	Yarrow & Co	320	..	7.7	2.4	18.9
75	23¾	York Trailer	46	..	3.5	7.5	4.4
80	29	Youghal C'pts	32	+2	..	..	..
44	11	Young H. Hldgs	19	-½	..	..	..
63	21	Zetters	33	-½	2.0	5.7	7.2

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
295	175	Akroyd & Sm	207	+2	25.4	12.3	2.3
410	280	Assoc Trdng 'B'	350	-5	3.8	1.1	3.3
65	17	Bonstead	62	• ..	2.2	3.6	13.5
25	6	Brit Arrow	14	..	..	..	..
148½	92¾	Challenge Corp	117	-3	6.7	5.3	9.1
66	42	Charterhse Grp	58	..	4.2	6.6	11.2
54½	27¾	C Fin de Suez	£43¾	+¼	..	..	..
397	215	Daily Mail Tst	360	..	19.4	5.4	20.3
305	210	Do A	357	..	19.4	5.4	20.1
321	204	Dalgety	305	+3	24.4b	8.0	8.5
46	13	Dawnay Day	31	..	2.6	7.1	5.5
23	8	Edin Ind Hldgs	9	..	0.2a	1.7	..
127	79	Electra Inv	109½	-1	8.2b	7.5	20.2
38	15	Exploration	34	..	2.8	8.3	7.7
85	27	FC Finance	70	..	3.1	4.5	14.1
24	3½	Fitzroy Inv	20	+½	..	..	..
30	11	Goode D & M grp	20	..	0.2	1.0	..
443	297½	Inchcape	335	-3	22.7	6.4	7.8
129	60	Lloyds & Scot	83	-1	6.2	7.5	10.9
30	6	Ldn & Euro Grp	31	..	..	..	..
146	61	M&G Grp (Hldgs)	129	-1	5.3	4.2	13.6
54	26	Manson Fin	44	..	5.3	12.0	11.6
119	61	Prov Fin Grp	85	-3	7.7	8.8	7.8
131	43½	Sime Darby	103	-2	3.0	2.9	13.9
69	37	Smith Bros	64	..	7.8	12.4	8.5
880	631	Tyndall O'seas	825	..	46.4	5.6	..
55	14	Utd Dom Tst	38	-1	..	..	6.1
58½	21¾	Wagon Fin	40	-1	3.2	7.8	8.4
67½	33	Yule Catto	65	+½	2.2	3.3	8.6

INSURANCE

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
131	65	Bowring	106	+1	4.7	4.4	..
58	28	Brentnall Beard	34	+1	2.6	8.9	10.5
184	112	Britannic	154	..	13.9	9.0	..
172	102½	Com Union	143	+7	12.2	8.5	..
140	107	Eagle Star	138	+4	9.9	7.2	..
194	111	Equity & Law	174	+4	10.1	5.8	..
294	161	Gen Accident	209	• +6	12.8	6.4	..
314	173	GRE	214	• +2	16.2	7.6	..
405	185	Hambro Life	377	..	31.6	8.4	..
297	129¾	Heath C. E.	232	+7	7.5	2.9	9.7
147½	83½	Hogg Robinson	127	..	6.2	4.9	9.8
181½	126	Howden A.	140	+1	10.6	7.6	7.7
186	108	Legal & Gen	142	+4	9.0	6.9	..
150	87¾	London & Man	134	+2	10.2	8.2	..
198	57	Ldn Utd Inv	135	..	6.4	3.4	10.2
256	160	Matthews W'son	173	+1	14.5	8.4	9.1
217	100	Minet Hldgs	178	+1	5.8	3.2	10.9
78	43	Moran C.	50	..	5.0a	10.0	5.5
292	182	Pearl	233	+2	18.1	8.2	..
322	188	Phoenix	218	• -4	16.8	7.7	..
143	100	Prov Life 'A'	142	..	12.8	9.0	..
143	100	Do A Rs	143	..	12.8	5.9	..
137	100	Do B	137	..	12.8	9.3	..
137	100	Do B Rs	137	..	12.8	9.3	..
180	116	Prudential	141	+6	10.6	7.5	..
154	94	Refuge	136	-3	10.5	7.7	..
480	290	Royal	347	• +2	26.3	7.6	..
478	224	Sedg. Forbes	402	..	18.2	4.6	12.9
113	89	Stenhouse	95	..	6.4	6.7	7.2
662	385	Sun Alliance	493	• +3	32.3	6.5	..
117	65	Sun Life	97	+2	5.3	5.4	..
183	112	Trade Indem'ty	170	..	13.1	7.9	..
310	195	Willis Faber	237	..	14.1	6.0	10.9

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
156	104	Aberdeen Trst	130	• -2	8.0	6.1	21.9
250	166	Alliance Trust	204	..	10.8a	5.3	24.9
52½	31½	Amer Trust	40½	+¼	2.1	5.2	29.8
114	78	Ang-Amer Secs	89½	..	4.6	5.1	27.0
52	33	Anglo Int Inv	40	..	4.9	12.1	12.0
161	87	Do Asm	151	+1	..	..	..
54	31	Anglo Scot	41½	• -1	2.5	6.1	22.7
143½	92½	Ashdown Inv	119½	..	6.2	5.2	24.4
74	35	Atlanta Balt	54	+1	0.8	1.4	53.7
115	49	Atlantic Assets	97	+1	0.6	0.6	..
62¼	40	Atlas Electric	57	..	2.9	5.0	28.2
65	39¾	Bankers Inv	54½	..	3.8	7.0	21.0
76½	40	Berry Trust	70	• -1	1.6	2.3	58.0
88	41½	Border & Sthrn	55½	• -1	11.7	21.2	34.3
46	30	Brit Am & Gen	38	-½	2.6	6.7	22.4
67½	49	Brit Assets Tst	68	..	3.9	5.7	27.6
12½	7½	Brit Emp Sec	11¾	..	1.0	9.2	14.1
178	116	Brit Invest	142	• ..	6.2	4.5	33.8
171½	107½	Broadstone	137½	..	8.0	5.8	25.4
119	63	Brunner	94½	..	5.8	6.1	26.3
128	42	Brycourt Inv	128	..	3.8	10.4	46.0
75½	43	CLRP Inv	62	• -1	3.1	5.0	28.2
290	147	Caledonia Inv	231	-6	12.9	5.3	23.0
93	56	Caledonian Tst	76	..	2.9	3.8	44.4
90	52	Do B	72	..	..	..	..
141½	91	Capital & Nat'l	127½	..	7.4	6.3	..
135½	84½	Do B	111½	..	..	..	..
129½	73	Cardinal 'Dfd'	104½	..	6.1	5.9	..
133	83½	Carliol Inv	107½	..	5.8	5.4	24.9
74	46	Cedar Inv	63	• ..	4.1	6.5	22.0
86	40	Charter Trust	61½	..	3.3	6.8	22.2
92	54	Clydesdale Inv	78½	+¼	2.7a	3.6	41.3
78	49	Do B	71	..	..	..	..
148	87	Common Mkt	£148	..	34.9	2.3	..
212¾	152½	Cont & Ind	179½	..	9.9	5.5	26.8
204	102	Crescent Japan	184	..	..	..	..
74	48	Crossfriars	77	..	5.6	7.3	20.8
31½	18½	Cumulus	27½	..	1.2	4.4	34.4
163	80	Delta Inv	150	..	..	..	..
272	132	Derby Tst 'Inc'	206	..	21.6	10.5	17.7
179	96	Do Cap	157	+1	..	..	..
145	100	Drayton Com	121	..	6.8	5.6	23.5
165	110	Drayton Cons	132	• -2	7.8	5.9	22.4
216	150	Do Premier	205	..	10.2	5.0	24.7
74	40½	Dundee & Ldn	58	-½	3.6	6.2	24.0
142	65	Edin Amer Ass	110½	..	7.7	3.6	71.8
249	144	Edinburgh Inv	212	..	10.4	4.9	29.8
87	50	Elec & Gen	72½	..	2.4	3.2	39.6
97½	69½	Eng & Int	90½	• -1	5.7	3.0	19.3
97	31½	[illegible] & N York	69½	..	4.6b	6.5	25.9
93	38	[illegible]e Duties	73	..	2.9	3.9	36.4
111½	69	First Scot Am	98½	+½	4.3	5.8	26.1
191	117	Foreign & Colnl	162½	..	5.7	3.5	47.0
193	96	Gt Japan Inv	191	..	3.0	1.7	87.9
192½	100	Gen Funds 'Ord'	164½	..	7.1	4.2	45.8
150	76	Do Conv	138	..	..	..	..
115	74½	Gen Inv & Tsts	100	..	6.2	6.2	21.7
99	65	Gen Scottish	84	• -1	5.0	6.0	24.6
111	64	Glendevon	91	• +1	2.6	3.1	51.1
131½	72	Globe Trust	110½	..	7.0	6.0	19.2
93	49	Grange Trust	75	..	3.3	4.4	33.2
113	75	Great Northern	96	..	6.1	6.4	24.1
102	61½	Greenfriar	92½	..	2.2	2.4	51.4
77	37	Gresham Hse	73	..	4.6	6.2	11.5
89	57	Guardian	73½	• ..	5.6	5.8	24.0
109½	61	Hambros	85	..	5.6	5.8	24.7
204	122	Hill P. Inv	169	..	12.3	7.3	21.4
91	42	Hume Hldgs A	74	..	7.2	9.8	16.1
69¾	36½	Indus & General	49½	..	2.9	5.8	26.3
84	52	Internat Inv	74	..	4.2	5.8	22.9
179½	100	Invest in Suc	158	..	4.6	2.9	50.3
93	59½	Inv Cap Tst	74	..	2.8b	3.8	42.0
182	107½	Jardine Japan	180½	+1½	1.3	0.8	..
209	103	Jersey Ext	165	..	..	..	..
105	64	Lake View Inv	80½	..	3.0	4.6	32.4
115	67	Law Deb Corp	94	..	7.2b	7.7	19.6
119	64	Ldn & Holyrood	109½	..	5.7	5.2	30.3
174	139	Ldn & Montrose	173	..	8.8	5.0	29.7
127	64	Ldn & Prov Tst	105	..	5.4	5.1	30.9
76½	17	Ldn Merch Sec	61	+1	1.2	2.0	..
70½	15½	Do Cap	60	..	..	..	..
87	44	Ldn Pru Invest	75	..	4.3	5.8	25.5
117	69½	Ldn Trust	98	• ..	6.9b	7.1	22.2
47	29	Mercantile Inv	38½	..	1.9	4.9	25.0
83	55	Merchants Trust	69½	..	4.4b	6.6	23.1
110	60	Moorside Tst	95	..	7.6	8.0	19.6
28½	11½	New Throg 'Inc'	18¼	+¼	2.2	12.8	11.4
161	34	Do Cap	124	+1	..	..	..
107	74½	North Atlantic	93	-2	4.6	5.0	28.9
114½	71	Northern Amer	91½	+½	4.3	4.7	32.2
136	64	Northern Sec	122	• ..	5.2	4.2	27.8
66	46	Oil & Associated	65	+1	3.2	5.8	25.6
138	86	Pentland	109	+1	6.1	5.6	26.5
74	38	Progressive Sec	58	..	4.2	7.3	18.5
140½	98	Raeburn	112	+1	5.9	5.2	26.7
192	108	River & Merc	161	..	13.1	8.1	16.3
182	65½	River Plate	135	..	9.9b	7.2	..
108½	69	Romney Trust	81	..	4.0	5.0	27.9
221½	104½	Rothschild	187	..	10.6	5.7	20.7
78	44	Safeguard	70	• -3	6.0	8.5	16.8
102	57½	Scot Amer	90½	..	3.9b	4.3	..
131	49	Scot & Merc 'A'	95	..	4.6	4.8	30.8
168	102	Scot Eastern	127½	..	6.8b	5.3	29.9
44½	23	Scot European	41	..	2.3	5.5	24.1
115½	75	Scot Invest	94½	..	4.2	4.4	35.4
168	112	Scot National	142½	• ..	5.8	4.1	32.8
119	70	Scot Northern	99½	..	5.5	5.5	30.2
92	57½	Scot United	73	..	2.6	3.6	45.3
110½	70	Scot Western	86½	..	3.5	3.8	42.5
107	64½	Do B	57½	+3½	..	..	..
217	143	Sec Alliance	178½	..	8.6a	5.4	27.6
101	61½	Sec Gt Northern	89	• ..	..	..	41.4
99½	58	Do B	80	..	..	..	..
198	132	Sterling Trust	182	..	8.0	5.0	29.0
110	67½	Stockholders	88½	-½	3.6b	4.0	41.2
109	82	Throg Sec 'Cap'	87	..	..	..	..
83½	47½	Throgmtn Trust	71	..	6.8	9.1	14.7
191	125	Trans-Oceanic	163	..	7.6	4.7	29.8
81	55½	Tribune Inv	60	..	2.1	3.5	34.2
87½	48½	Triplevest 'Inc'	60	..	6.8	11.3	13.6
179	94	Do Cap	138	..	..	..	..
155	92	Trustees Corp	132	..	7.4	5.6	25.5
126	87½	Tyneside Inv	101	..	5.8	5.8	23.9
144½	97	Utd Brit Secs	119½	+1½	6.7	5.4	26.0
107	74½	Utd States Deb	85	..	5.2	6.3	22.7
204	142	Utd States Gen	173	..	6.2	3.3	35.8
154	69½	Viking Res	78	+1	1.7	2.1	51.0
250	140	W'bottom Trust	201	+1	7.6	3.8	42.7
104	63	Witan Inv	85½	..	3.5	4.1	..
101	61	Do B	80½	..	0.1	0.1	..
196	111	Yeoman Tst	166	..	11.9	6.9	21.1
35	17	Yorks & Lancs	30	..	2.3b	7.8	21.7
90	58	Young Co Inv	84	• -1	5.5b	6.5	24.0

SHIPPING

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
321	215	Brit & Comm	285	-2	14.1	5.0	8.2
190	54	Fisher J.	175	..	2.3	1.3	8.6
355	207	Furness Withy	233	• -4	12.8	5.5	8.5
305	100	Hunting Gibson	110	..	9.2	8.1	..
41¼	24¾	Jacobs J. I.	39½	-1½	2.8	7.0	14.5
279	205	Manch Liners	225	• ..	7.5	3.4	39.5
179	104	Ocean Trans	107	+1½	12.8	11.8	3.7
173	81	P & O 'Dfd'	81	• -1	9.9	12.2	4.5

MINES

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
785	370	Anglo Am Coal	580	..	38.1	6.6	..
382	195	Anglo Am Corp	303	+4	21.0	6.9	..
20¾	11¾	Ang Am Gold	£15⅝	+⅛	104	6.7	..
49	37	Anglo Am Inv	£35¾	-¼	374	10.8	..
9¾	6¼	Anglo-Transvl	£7½	..	..	..	..
9¼	6	Do A	£7½	..	72.5	9.7	..
13¾	8¼	Asarco	£9¾	+¼	20.5	2.1	..
80	28	Beralt Tin	55	..	11.7a	21.3	..
417	237	Blyvoors	282	+7	34.5	12.2	..
46	32	Botswana RST	22	..	..	..	..
107	55	Bracken Mines	69	+1	26.3	38.7	..
136	61	BH South	114	..	..	..	..
15¾	5¾	Buffelsfontein	£9¾	+¼	107	12.8	..
168	106	Charter Cons	133	+1	12.6	9.5	..
250½	136	Cons Gold Fields	179	..	13.7	8.0	..
483	188	De Beers 'Dfd'	356	+3	32.9	9.3	..
403	165	Doornfontein	280	..	32.3	12.5	..
442	138	Durban Rood	327	+2	..	..	..
37	9	East Daggs	35	-2	15.1	60.4	..
817	425	E Driefontein	636	-14	80.0	8.2	..
477	177	E Rand Prop	270	-3	..	..	..
82	39	El Oro M & Ex	54	-1	1.7	3.1	..
134	64	Elsburg Gold	73	-3	6.1	7.8	..
20¾	8¾	F S Geduld	£12⅞	-⅛	162	14.1	..
185	84¾	Geevor Tin	170	+8	7.6	4.5	..
20¾	12	Gen Mining	£16⅛	..	145	6.8	..
153	88	Grootvlei	91½	+1½	16.8	20.8	..
210	160	Hamersley	173	+5	..	..	..
134	77	Hampton Gold	121	..	5.3	4.4	..
460	225	Harmony	278	-8	32.1	11.6	..
16	7¾	Hartebeest	£12⅞	+⅝	156	12.1	..
18⅜	10⅛	Jo'burg Cons	£12⅝	..	104	8.6	..
460	200	Kinross	289	+8	32.9	13.9	..
688	290	Kloof	495	+18	25.1	5.1	..
74	20	Leslie	42¾	..	12.8	29.7	..
650	275	Libanon	448	..	62.5	14.2	..
83	42	Lydenburg Plat	44	-2	4.8	8.2	..
342	125	MIM Hldgs	188	-1	3.7	2.1	..
85	33	MTD (Mangula)	32	-3	7.9	24.7	..
121	46	Marievale Con	84½	+½	35.0	41.4	..
195	68	Messina Trans	64	..	..	..	..
41	19	Metals Explor	25	..	..	..	..
235	145	Middle Wits	160	..	15.8	9.8	..
204	125	Minorco	183	-2	8.5	4.6	..
488	247	Nthgate Explor	380	-8	..	..	..
870	345	Peko Wallsend	454	..	..	..	..
11¾	6¾	Pres Brand	£7⅞	+⅛	56.5	16.9	..
10⅛	4¾	Pres Steyn	£6⅝	+¼	46.1	7.1	..
160	88	Rand Mine Prop	93	..	9.7	10.2	..
42⅞	19	Rustenburg	£20½	-1½	292	8.5	..
294	164	Rio Tinto Zinc	236	+6	14.6	6.1	..
113	66	Rustenburg	93	• -1	4.7	5.1	..
90	35	Saint Piran	83	-3	3.1	3.7	..
17¾	5¾	S Helena	£7¼	+¼	114	15.9	..
513	370	Selection Tst	426	..	38.5	8.5	..
237	114	Sentrust	188	..	19.0	10.1	..
97	29	SA Land	58	+1	..	..	..
58	46	South Crofty	47	..	4.3	9.3	..
613	235	Southvaal	433	..	121	3.0	..
240	57	Sungei Besi	190	-10	14.0	7.4	..
189	316	Tang Cons	184	..	10.0	6.1	..
101	42	Tanjong Tin	85	..	9.6	11.6	..
200	207¾	Tharsis Sulph	290	..	10.9	4.0	..
15¾	8½	Transvaal Cons	£11¾	..	61.4	5.5	..
265	93	Tronoh Mines	210	-5	16.3	7.4	..
278	117	UC Invest	206	..	20.3	10.1	..
338	165	Unisel Corp	280	..	24.2	8.1	..
17½	8	Vaal Reefs	£12¾	+¼	98.4	7.7	..
288	70	Venterspost	109	..	10.7	9.8	..
42	27	Wankie Colliery	29	..	6.4	21.9	..
373	119	Welkom	232	..	37.5	16.2	..
29¾	13¾	W Driefontein	£20⅝	+¼	341	11.8	..
209	76	W Rand Cons	99	..	11.0	11.1	..
743	110	Western Areas	130	-2	9.5	7.3	..
20⅛	8¾	Western Deep	£17⅜	-⅛	87.9	5.1	..
24¼	10½	Western Hldgs	£15¾	-1½	239	15.8	..
104	84	Western Mining	132	+1	1.8	1.4	..
570	380	Winkelhaak	584	+7	77.1	13.2	..
29½	10	Zambia Copper	13½	..	..	..	..

OIL

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
82	43	Ampol Pet	61	..	..	..	..
120	47	Attock	86	f ..	..	..	..
196	128	Brit Borneo	158	• +6	10.5	6.7	15.8
960	720	BP	908	-22	38.1	3.9	9.8
86	41	Burmah Oil	73	+3	..	..	..
66½	44½	Century Oils	64	..	4.6	7.2	3.3
34½	18½	Charterhall	22	+½	..	..	..
23¼	12¾	C F Petroles	£21⅝	+⅛	111	5.1	5.3
44	24	KCA Int	31	..	..	..	14.3
195	128	Lasmo	138	+6	..	..	..
415	245	Do Ops	360	+15	..	..	..
108½	84½	Do 14% Ln	£98½	..	1400	14.2	..
322	77	Oil Exploration	220	+10	3.2	1.5	31.2
22¾	8	Premier Cons	14	+½	..	..	..
17⅜	7⅞	Ranger Oil	£8¾	+¼	..	..	..
36¾	30¼	Royal Dutch	£43⅝	+⅝	147	3.5	7.5
672	486	Shell Trans	575	+16	28.6	4.6	6.2
282	104	Tricentrol	172	• +8	7.2	1.3	18.5
278	110¾	Ultramar	236	+6	..	..	8.8
161	84	Do 7% Cnv	137	+3	10.8	7.7	..

PROPERTY

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
66	29¾	Allied Ldn	57	..	3.1	5.4	10.4
234	137	Allnatt Ldn	214	• ..	6.6	3.3	21.5
93	28	Apex Props	85	..	1.9	2.2	45.7
23	11	Aquis Secs	20	..	1.0	5.1	29.2
95	51¾	Beaumont Prop	84	..	5.6	7.0	20.8
73	27½	Bellway Hldgs	58	+6	4.6	3.2	12.7
143	89	Berkeley Hmbro	131	+4	5.5	4.1	30.8
185	130	Bilton Percy	173	-2	9.4	5.4	26.2
187	118	Do Accum.	169	-2	8.2	4.6	..
275	119	Bradford Prop	244	• -3	20.8	8.5	8.5
47½	25	British Land	40	..	..	..	..
116	56¾	Brixton Estate	107	..	3.1	2.9	27.6
60	10	Cap & Counties	58½	+1½	2.6	4.5	27.6
345	141	Chesterfield	345	+4	6.0	1.7	30.1
330	145	Churchbury Est	305	-6	7.0	2.3	26.4
70	37½	City Offices	68	+1	2.7	4.3	24.3
42	13½	Control Secs	33	+3	1.3	3.8	32.2
345	214	Corn Exchange	234	+3	8.2	1.4	60.6
34	17	Country & New T	26½	+½	1.8	3.6	..
119	35	County & Dist	111	+1	1.3	1.2	21.0
120	39½	Daejan Hldgs	108	..	4.5	4.3	10.5
98	27	Eng Prop	32	• -1	3.4	10.4	12.1
23½	11	Estates & Gen	20	..	1.8a	9.1	16.7
104	33	Evans of Leeds	88	..	2.1	2.3	19.3
332	133¾	Gt Portland	212	+4	4.9	2.3	34.3
87	52	Guildhall	76	..	4.0	5.3	18.2
642	310	Hammerson 'A'	590	..	8.3	1.4	62.6
372	182	Haslemere Ests	258	+3	8.0	3.2	22.7
250	142	Land Secs	228	+3	8.1	3.6	30.1
55	33¾	Law Land	41	..	1.3a	3.3	..
325	182½	Ldn & Prov Sh	214	• +3	7.2	3.1	42.1
68	40	Ldn Shop	63	..	4.3	6.8	26.4
138	69	Lynton Hldgs	116	..	3.8	3.2	19.4
158	46	MEPC	133	+4	2.8	2.0	41.9
275	68	McKay Secs	275	..	2.7	1.0	29.9
41	6¾	Marler Estates	36	..	..	..	..
48	35	Midhurst Whites	47	-½	..	..	..
133	46	Mucklow A & J.	116	• -3	6.3	5.8	17.9
298	105	Municipal	275	..	7.7	2.8	14.0
90	39	Peachey Prop	75	+1	3.0b	3.9	..
339	190	Prop & Rever	305	..	7.8	2.5	37.1
337	178	Do A	305	..	7.8	2.5	37.1
347	218	Prop Hldgs	298	..	10.9	3.4	37.3
119	27¾	Prop Sec	108	..	2.1	2.0	..
6½	2	Raglan Prop	4¼	..	..	..	..
87	31	Regional	77	..	1.7	2.3	39.1
79	36	Do A	67	+1	1.7	2.5	39.3
135	38	Rush & Tompkins	84	• ..	4.3	4.6	10.3
118	58¾	Scot Met Props	102	..	3.2	3.1	39.0
119	77	Slough Ests	111	-1	3.5	3.5	25.6
290	158	Stock Conv	280	+8	3.1	1.2	28.2
290	90	Sunley B.	242	..	6.4	2.7	22.7
17	5	Town & City	11	..	..	..	..
138	41	Trafford Park	117	+1	6.2	5.3	15.5
34½	10¾	UK Props	22	..	0.3	2.2	17.3
11¾	6¾	Webb J.	10¼	..	0.7	4.7	7.1
29	10½	W'minster & C'ty	23	..	1.3	5.5	19.5

RUBBER

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
104	34	Anglo-Indonesia	88	-1	4.2	4.2	..
55	19	Bradwall FMS	52	-1	2.6	4.5	..
300	82	Castlefield	237	-8	5.0	1.9	..
55	17¼	Chersonese	50	..	2.1	4.1	..
52	18¼	Cons Plant	38	-1½	3.6	9.7	..
48	13	Dunlop Estates	66	..	2.2	3.3	..
19¼	8¾	Grand Central	11¼	..	0.7	7.3	..
385	135	Guthrie Corp	331	-1	22.9	6.8	..
129	43	Harrisons Malay	111	s ..	6.1	5.5	..
155	36½	Highlds & Low	105	-3½	6.5	6.4	..
255	87	Hongkong	236	..	19.6	4.9	..
295	135	Killinghall	238	..	17.5	7.4	..
50½	22	Kulim Malaysia	46½	-½	2.1	4.5	..
197	44	Ldn Sumatra	172	..	8.1	3.4	..
50½	29½	Majedie	38½	• -1	1.1	1.5	..
83	13	Muar River	37	..	0.8	2.1	..
81	34	Plant Hldgs	63½	s +¼	3.3	3.9	..
93	18¼	Sungei Krian	63	• ..	1.3	2.7	..

TEA

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
300	147	Assam Frontier	243	-2	14.2	5.7	..
123	32	Assam Inv	98	..	10.8	12.4	..
325	95	Camellia Inv	305	-2	3.8	1.0	..
245	120	McLeod Russel	215	..	20.5n	9.3	..
410	124	Moran	338	..	29.3	8.9	..
158	35	Surmah Valley	150	..	9.9	6.6	..
130	51	Warren Plant	111	..	11.1	10.0	..

MISCELLANEOUS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
15¾	7¾	Algoma Cen Rly	£11	+¼	25.8	2.4	17.7
75	40	Calcutta Elec	75	..	14.0	18.7	..
32½	42	E Surr Wtr 4.9%	£42½	..	490	10.8	..
35¾	31½	Essex Wtr 3.5%	33½	..	350	10.4	..
68	47	Gt Nthn Tele	108	..	19.2	2.8	14.8
450	210	Imp Cont Gas	343	+3	14.8	4.3	3.1
38	33	Mid Kent Wtr	£34	..	500	14.7	..
130	46	Milford Docks	114	..	4.1	3.6	..
276	140	Nigerian Elec	210	..	20.1	9.5	..
39½	31½	Sunderland Wtr	£33	..	350	10.6	..

• Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre-merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

THE TIMES SHARE INDICES

The Times Share Indices for 13.11.78 (base date June 2, 1964 original base date June 2, 1959):—

	Index No. Latest	Div. Yield %	Earnings Yield %	Index No. Previous
The Times Industrial Share Index	211.18	6.78	12.16	209.20
Largest Coys.	215.44	6.39	11.69	213.11
Smaller Coys.	197.48	7.08	13.42	196.67
Capital Goods	236.72	7.10	14.46	234.45
Consumer Goods	213.34	7.86	11.33	210.73
Store Shares	183.19	5.34	8.44	181.36
Largest financial shares	218.20	6.47	—	217.89
Largest financial and industrial shares	213.43	6.41	—	211.80
Commodity shares	254.96	5.60	14.50	255.31
Gold Mining shares	288.23	10.60	18.78	288.21
Industrial debenture stocks	52.75	6.47*	—	52.79
Industrial preference stocks	38.41	12.38*	—	37.55
3½% War Loan	28⅜	12.11*	—	28⅞

A record of The Times Industrial Share Indices is given below:—

	High	Low
All-time	232.06 (14.09.78)	80.18 (13.12.74)
1978	232.06 (14.09.78)	184.85 (02.03.78)
1977	222.06 (14.09.77)	151.39 (12.01.77)
1976	171.68 (05.05.76)	115.83 (27.10.76)
1975	154.83 (19.11.75)	81.42 (08.01.75)
1974	136.18 (28.02.74)	80.13 (13.12.74)
1973	169.39 (12.01.73)	139.99 (14.12.73)

* Flat interest yield.
• Ex-dividend

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THE TIMES
BUSINESS NEWS

Foord surveyors

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ons that the economy y beginning to slow er the rapid growth is year came from offi- stics for output and les yesterday. Indus- duction dropped by 1- in September, while as stayed during Octo- heir lower September visions to the output owed that this has now though only slightly consecutive months.

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industrial production are often erratic, and th's figures cannot be a sure guide to the output. A longer-term, nth comparison shows ustry's total output fell per cent between the and third quarters of

ls point out that pro- was very buoyant in the quarter, and still re- ell above the level of three months of the

sales dropped back during September from gh level in the sales f July and August. This vel was unchanged dur- ber according to provi- gures from the Depart- Trade.

may well be a renewed the volume of retail is month as more tax ed through into pay These tax rebates re- the Tory amendments pril Budget, and are the ome through into wages. rther rise in spending lp to boost output later, ough the sharp increase during July and August has not fed through to raise industry's output as yet.

Lower than expected output of North Sea oil and gas has slowed the rise in overall industrial production. When this is excluded total industrial output shows a fall of only ¼ per cent in the third quarter.

The unseasonable weather this year may have upset the official calculations of seasonal adjustment. Warmer than usual weather during September after the cold summer is thought to have accounted for some of a drop in the output of the gas industry. Part of the fall may be explained simply by a slowdown in industrial activity.

An analysis of industrial production by market sector shows that output in the consumer goods industries dropped by 0.7 per cent during the three months to September, despite the rise in retail sales during the period.

Production in intermediate goods industries dropped by a little under ¼ per cent in the same period, although it was still 3¼ per cent above the level of the first quarter.

Investment goods industries have, by contrast, boosted output by 1¼ per cent in the three months to September.

The pattern of output in this sector has been different from that in the economy as a whole, as it dropped back in the second three months of this year after a rise in the first quarter, whereas industrial output as a whole jumped by 3.7 per cent during the second quarter.

The rate of growth of the economy during the second quarter was unsustainably high. However, it will confirm the worst fears about the sluggish British economy if the boom resulting from the massive rises in living standards in the last pay round proves to have been so short-lived.

If the expansion slows down sharply there must be a danger that unemployment will begin to rise again soon.

One puzzle about the latest figures is that the Confederation of British Industry has found in its latest main quarterly survey of industrial trends that industrialists now believe the economy is moving clearly out of recession.

Despite the fall in output during recent months, industrial production as a whole was 4 per cent above its level of a year earlier in the third quarter. The rise for manufacturing alone was much smaller, at 1½ per cent.

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NatWest leads way with rise in base rate

By John Whitmore
Financial Correspondent

National Westminster became the first of the clearing banks yesterday to respond to last Thursday's government action to raise the general level of interest rates, lifting its base lending rate from 11½ to 12½ per cent.

The other clearers are expected to announce base rate increases today or tomorrow, but they spent yesterday waiting to see how money markets would settle down after the weekend.

The effects of NatWest's increase in base rate will be to raise overdraft rates to prime commercial borrowers to 13½ per cent. For most personal borrowers the cost of an overdraft will go up to somewhere between 15¼ and 17½ per cent.

But while the news for borrowers may not have been welcome, the news for savers was rather better. The rate of interest offered on seven day branch deposits is going up by rather more than base rates—by 1½ per cent to 10 per cent.

Even at this level, the bank's deposit rate remains well adrift of the return offered by building societies. Their decision to raise interest rates last week will lift the rate offered on share accounts to 8 per cent net of basic rate tax, equivalent to 11.9 per cent gross.

The NatWest decision to raise its base rate to 12½ per cent, in response to last Thursday's increase in the Bank of England's minimum lending rate from 10 to 12½ per cent, means that its base rate has rather more than doubled in less than a year.

How soon this latest increase in rates is going to start deterring borrowing and slow down the general pace of economic activity remains to be seen.

The authorities presumably hope that the high cost of money will not put too hard a brake on the economy but nonetheless, they are obviously determined to keep the recent high level of credit demand under restraint as part of their policy of retaining control over the growth in the money supply.

The next set of money supply figures are due to be published on Thursday.

Assistance rates up: Maximum rates of interest relief grant and interest rates for loans under section 7 of the Industry Act 1972 were increased yesterday by the Department of Industry.

Interest relief grant and interest on loans for modernization projects not providing additional employment are both increased from 13-13½ per cent. The interest rate on loans for employment-creating projects goes up from 10 to 10½ per cent.

Higher sales continue Unilever recovery with third quarter profits 18pc higher at £171m

By Our Financial Staff

Accelerating volume sales have led to a strong third-quarter performance from Unilever, which yesterday reported a profits increase of 18 per cent to £171m.

This was broadly in line with stock market expectations, and the shares closed 7p higher at 539p.

Unilever, whose chairman is Sir David Orr, started this year at a low ebb, with profits down in the first quarter. Since then it has pulled round to achieve modest second-quarter growth and a still stronger showing in the third quarter, with volume sales 6 per cent up. At the nine-month stage group profits are thus 8 per cent up at £477m on sales of £7,259m.

The main impetus has come from a strong recovery in demand for consumer goods in Europe. Results from the edible fats, frozen products and detergents businesses were well above those of the same period last year, although this was, admittedly, an exceptionally depressed quarter. Animal feeds also did well, although Unilever has seen little growth in most of its industrial activities.

Unilever has done less well in North America, where profits were down, partly because of higher advertising costs. The big UAC International subsidiary has achieved good results, however, and the profits from other overseas countries "continued to be very good".

CU profits up: Commercial Union lifted pre-tax profits 52 per cent to £101.1m in the first nine months of this year. Improving underwriting results provided the main boost, with the worldwide deficit falling to £400,000 against a loss of £21.6m in the same period of last year.

The results launched the third-quarter reporting period for major insurance composites on a firm note and pleased the stock market. CU's shares rose 7p to 143p after the announcement while Royal and General Accident, due to report later this week, rose 2p to 347p and 6p to 200p respectively.

Commercial Union reported a significant improvement in the United Kingdom, where an £800,000 deficit last time has been turned into a surplus of £3m, with improvements coming from all classes of business.

Despite the improvement, household business remains in deficit and the group intends to follow Sun Alliance in increasing rates for household contents business from the beginning of next year.

In the United States, which provides half CU's premiums, improved conditions resulted in an underwriting surplus of £1.4m against a deficit of £4.8m. But the group said the market was becoming increasingly competitive.

Holland, which provided CU's biggest underwriting deficit—£15.5m—last year, has continued to improve as a result of rate increases. The nine-month deficit has fallen from £10.4m to £8m.

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Sir David Orr: European sales boost.

German and Dutch banks 'pounds in with EMS'

From Frank Vogl
New York, Nov 13

Signor Giovanni Agnelli, chairman of Fiat of Italy, suggested today that the creation of a European Monetary System would enhance the long-term prospects of global stability, but to make the system work, the weaker nations, notably Britain and Italy, would have to make sacrifices.

Signor Agnelli told the National Foreign Trade Convention here that the weaker nations would be asked "to accept fewer jobs for their workers and less popularity for their governments, as the price for entering a more stable world.

"It is British pounds and Italian lire that will, albeit for a limited period, accumulate in the German and Dutch central banks."

The Fiat chief, with numerous American corporate chairmen, voiced concern about the prospects for international monetary stability. Several businessmen suggested that the Carter Administration would have to much more before confidence was restored in the dollar.

Its decline would not lead to as great an increase in exports as has widely been suggested by Government officials, they said.

Signor Agnelli was clearly the most alarmist of the speakers. He said that businessmen around the world had "a sort of gut feeling that the dollar no longer is a secure currency" and businessmen must squarely face the risk that monetary confusion could "in the very near future turn into a full-scale monetary war".

Several speakers feared that protectionism was becoming greater, but Mr Warren Christopher, the United States Deputy Secretary of State, stressed that President Carter was committed to an open world trading system.

In the last few days the President had vetoed protectionist legislation concerning meat and textiles as well as signing a Bill increasing the financing authority of the Export-Import Bank from $25,000m to $40,000m.

Mr Charles Pillard, chairman of Goodyear Tyre and Rubber Co, said the effects of the dollar's decline on boosting exports were questionable because of the lack of price sensitivity of most United States goods in international markets.

He suggested that foreign businessmen were increasingly acting on the basis of a lack of confidence in the Administration's policies.

"The Government's recent moves to strengthen our currency will have some success, but they must overcome considerable scepticism."

Signor Agnelli said that foreign confidence in the dollar was going to depend on the trend of American inflation in coming months and upon additional actions taken by the authorities to reduce energy imports and strengthen exports.

There was a general feeling, despite the new energy legislation, that this country still lacked an effective energy policy.

The Fiat chairman made a passionate plea for urgent international action and for a much greater degree of economic policy cooperation.



Signor Giovanni Agnelli: British pounds in German banks.

China nears decision on DM28,000m steel mill

Frankfurt, Nov 13.—Chinese officials today were reported to be nearing a final decision on a West German consortium's DM28,000m (£7,713m) bid to build a 10-million ton a year integrated steel mill in Hopei province.

A Peking-datelined dispatch by VWD, the West German economic news agency, said a 28-member delegation from the German consortium is holding final talks on the bid with Chinese officials. Over the weekend, the group travelled to the plant site in Tientsin, VWD said.

Schloemann-Siemag AG, an engineering and plant construction firm, said on October 12 that it was forming a consortium, at the request of the Chinese, to bid for the contract. The mill would be completed in two stages, with the first stage, having a six-million ton a year capacity, being completed in two stages, with the

The company said in October that other members of the consortium would be Siemens AG, Thyssen AG and Sterkrade AG.

In the October announcement, Schloemann-Siemag said Dresdner Bank AG had agreed to provide a DM28,000m buyers credit for the Chinese for the order.

Since then, negotiations between Dresdner and the Chinese have reportedly stalled. Herr Hans Friderichs, management board chairman of Dresdner Bank, said in late October that to supply such a credit, a guarantee from Hermes, the West German Government export credit insurance agency, would be needed.

He said a Hermes guarantee would mean that the credit would have to be in Deutsche marks. The Chinese have insisted that they want dollar-denominated credits at an interest rate of 7.25 per cent with long repayment periods.—AP Dow Jones.

Volkswagen poised to diversify into computer sector

Brussels, Nov 13

Volkswagen, the West German motor company, appears to be close to the first big diversification of its business away from the automobile sector. By the end of this month it may have a stake in Europe's computer business.

A company spokesman today confirmed that VW has been discussing taking a stake in Nixdorf Computer, the privately owned minicomputer specialist which is based in Paderborn, north Germany.

A final decision is likely to be taken on November 24, the date of VW's next supervisory board meeting.

Although *Der Spiegel*, the West German news magazine, today reported that Volkswagen was planning to take a 50 per cent stake in Nixdorf for DM500m (about £134m) sources in both companies suggested that the final holding was likely to be rather less than half.

The participation, assuming it is approved by VW's supervisory board, is expected to take the form of a subscription to new shares, thus lifting Nixdorf's nominal capital beyond the present level of DM110m.

Nixdorf's shares are nearly all held by Herr Heinz Nixdorf, the group's founder, and his family. The remaining 5 per cent are owned by the company's employees.

Nixdorf is one of the few unqualified success stories in the German computer industry. Over the past 10 years Herr Nixdorf has built up his company into a group employing about 9,000 and with sales last year of DM840m.

Turnover in the first three-quarters of this year was up 19 per cent on the same period of last year. Moreover, Nixdorf has been able to establish itself on the United States market, where it sold equipment worth DM 120m last year.

It is understood that Herr Nixdorf will remain in control of the company if Volkswagen becomes a major shareholder.

As far as Volkswagen is concerned, the acquisition is likely to represent only a first stage of a wider diversification plan. The group now has liquid assets totalling DM6,000m, so that subscribing to a Nixdorf capital increase at a cost of around DM500m would hardly stretch its finances.

It appears as if the negotiations between Volkswagen and Nixdorf were given an added impulse by the refusal of Gutehoffnungshutte, West Germany's largest engineering concern, to accept VW as a shareholder.

Earlier this year it was widely rumoured that Volkswagen was anxious to buy into GHH after having signed a co-operation agreement in the commercial vehicle sector with the GHH subsidiary Maschinenfabrik-Augsburg-Nurn-

Dawson in £24.5m bid for John Haggas

By Alison Mitchell

Dawson International, the Scottish knitwear group which recently repulsed a bid from a major shareholder, William Baird, yesterday announced a revised £24.5m take-over offer for the textiles group John Haggas.

The terms are 10 ordinary Dawson shares—equivalent to five before yesterday's ex-scrip price—and £9 in cash for every nine Haggas shares.

The cash hand-out, which totals £12.4m, effectively distributes the £11.4m liquid assets built up by Haggas.

After a brief suspension yesterday, Dawson shares ended a 1p lower at 87p while Haggas closed 2p higher at 183p against a paper and cash bid price of 196½p.

The (Haggas family, which controls more than 50 per cent of the equity, have agreed to the bid. The bulk of these shareholders, accepting deferred ordinary shares in Dawson, are giving up their dividend rights until April 1, 1980, saving the group some £00,000, on current forecasts.

William Baird, which owns 29.9 per cent of the Dawson equity, has not been contacted by the knitwear group, but Mr Alan Smith, chairman of Dawson, said yesterday that he was not expecting any opposition to the revised terms.

Mr Stanley Field, chairman of William Baird, has already rejected a request to resign his seat on the Dawson board, but Mr Smith pointed out that, as Mr Field has now reached 65 he will automatically have to retire at the next annual meeting.

Baird's stake in Dawson has been diluted to just over 22 per cent by the offer for Haggas, and proposals to enfranchise the "A" non-voting equity at an extraordinary meeting in December will water it down by a further 11 per cent.

Mr Smith also revealed yesterday that Dawson is to continue on the takeover trail. "There is still one area we need to round off our business", he said, though he would give no further indication as to the particular direction any other bid would take.

However, a further issue of Dawson shares could nudge the Baird stake below the requisite 20 per cent needed to consolidate the Dawson profits as an associate in its accounts.

One of the conditions of the bid necessitates the Haggas directors forecasting pre-tax profits of £4.8m for the current year to June 30, 1979. In the last winancial year profits improved by a quarter to £4.12m and projecting this growth on for a further 12 months would give Haggas a profit of some £5m.

Dollar may face fresh test

Currency markets remain unsettled, with some nervousness about the dollar persisting, despite the package of support measures announced on November 1.

Official support for the currency has been fairly heavy since, and some foreign exchange dealers believe that further testing of the American authorities' resolve will take place this week.

The official intervention has been sufficient to hold the dollar at its new higher rates against most currencies. It ended yesterday little changed against major currencies, at DM1.885 and Swiss Fl.626 and sterling at 1.967.

Rumours are circulating in the markets that the advance warning of the Carter package was given to some banks before the measures according to a weekly newsletter, *International Insider*. There were also rumours in New York of pending measures shortly before the announcement on November 1.

$1,300m loan for Korea nuclear plants

Hongkong, Nov 13.—Korea Electric company is to receive the largest aggregate of loans ever provided for a single project in Asia—more than $1,300m—to expand its nuclear power plants, Chase Manhattan Asia, announced today.

The loans consist of $400m in Eurodollars syndicated by Chase Manhattan Asia, $732m from the United States Eximbank, $97m from the private Export Funding Corporation, and $102m from the Export Credit Guarantee Department of Britain.

The Eurodollar loan, which involves 40 banks, was signed here today by Mr C. P. Brauch, president of Chase Manhattan Asia, and Mr Nack-Chung Sung, executive vice-president of Korea Electric. Chase said the Eximbank and Export Funding loans will be signed in Washington and the Export Credit Guarantee loan in London within the next few days.

The loans will be used to finance equipment and technical services for two nuclear plants at Kori which are already under construction. They are scheduled for commercial operation by 1984 and 1985 and will have a net output of 944 megawatts each.

The Eurodollar loan has a 10-year maturity with an annual interest rate of one per cent above the six-month London Interbank rate.

It is the first time Korea Electric has borrowed without a Government guarantee, Chase said.

The Korean Government, which holds 82.1 per cent of Korea Electric's equity is scheduled to purchase the remaining shares held by private investors by 1981.

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pencast mining plan refused

orization for an open- al mine at Whittonstall ıedale, Northumberland, n refused by the Depart- f Energy. The decision the recommendation of S. Maynard, the inspec- a public inquiry held at ield in October last year.

ctions to mining at the cre opencast site had received from Northun- d County Council, Dur- County Council, district is, parish councils, public and 730 individuals.

National Coal Board had ed to win 2.75 million of coal from the site, of rime quality coking coal ıted for 1.46 million tons, the NCB said would a valuable contribution needs of the British Steel ration and reduction of ts.

rejecting authorization, lex Eadie, Parliamentary Secretary for Energy, d with the inspector that lamage to the landscape ighed any benefits.

itehall team seeking anese investment

mission is being sent to ı by the Invest in Britain au of the Department of stry from November 20-25. nars will be held in Tokyo Osaka, and the Depart- 's team, led by Mr Ken ing, head of the bureau, meet leading members of Japanese business com- ity to discuss plans for stment in Europe. The au was set up a year ago ıcourage foreign investment Britain.

tels and holiday nps flourish

Britain's licensed hotels and day camps are continuing to y increases in business well ve the national average for catering trades.

atest figures from the artment of Trade show that nover in the sector rose by per cent in the third quar- of this year compared with a r earlier while total catering nover increased by 12 per t.

Turnover in restaurants, es and fish and chip shops e by 12 per cent on a year lier, in public houses by 10 cent and in canteens by 11 cent. Taking seasonal fac- s into consideration, catering nover was five per cent ther at current prices in the rd quarter than in the same riod of 1977.

In brief



Mrs Sally Oppenheim (above), the Opposition spokesman on prices and consumer goods, told the Oxford Street Association in London yesterday that she could understand why retailers were in revolt against consumerism. There was need for consumer protection, but the Government was getting the balance wrong. "This places an intolerable burden on the business community", she said. If a shopkeeper was trading fairly, there should be no legislation to concern him.

Government check on cutlery industry

A survey of the cutlery industry's problems, carried out by the Sheffield-based Cutlery and Allied Trades Research Association, backed by the Department of Industry, has been completed, the House of Commons was told yesterday.

Mr Bob Cryer, Under Secretary of State for Industry, said a working party would now examine ways in which the industry's performance and competitiveness might be improved and that the Government would consider its recommendations "most carefully".

Dunlop silent on closure reports

A spokesman for Dunlop Holdings said yesterday he could make no comment on press reports that it was ready to close its tyre plant at Speke, on Merseyside, employing about 2,400 workers, and possibly cut back production elsewhere.

But he added that management was holding meetings with union officials at Dunlop's British plants to explain the problems arising from the European tyre industry's overcapacity.

"We must discuss our options with the unions first", he said.

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Jamaica devalues

The Jamaican dollar has been devalued a further one per cent in accordance with conditions attached to a $240m (about £127m) International Monetary Fund loan, the Bank of Jamaica has announced. The new rate is 1.6800 against the United States dollar. Under the loan conditions, the Jamaican dollar is devalued by about one per cent each month.

Concrete pipe factory to open in Scotland

A new factory in Scotland to produce pre-cast concrete pipes and fittings for sewerage and drainage was announced yesterday by Arc Concrete, a subsidiary of Amey Roadstone Corporation.

Production is planned to start next spring at the 10-acre site at Main Street, Newmains, near Motherwell, where the company has operated its Scottish sales office since 1977.

Two options firms are suspended

The European Options Exchange confirmed yesterday that two marketmakers are unable to do business on the exchange for the moment, because they have fallen below their margin requirements.

A fall in the price of KLM's shares necessitated an increase in the margin of liquidity which—as a precaution—marketmakers have to provide to the exchange members through which their contracts are cleared.

The two firms—which are unnamed—have yet to meet these commitments, and until they do they are suspended from trading. However, they are not bankrupt, and they retain their exchange seats, the EOE spokesman said.

Impala Platinum

Impala Platinum of Johannesburg announce a first quarter interim dividend of 4 cents payable about December 28.

The company was formerly Bishopsgate Platimin before the recent equity consolidation with Impala Platinum in terms of which Impala became a wholly-owned subsidiary. In 1978, Bishopsgate paid dividends totalling 9.2 cents while Impala paid 80 cents.—Reuter.

How the markets moved

The Times index: 211.19+1.90
The FT index: 474.5+1.3

Rises

BP	22p to 96p
Broken Hill	15p to 665p
East Dagga	2p to 25p
FFA Cons	14p to 17p
Kloof	18p to 493p
Lasmo	6p to 138p
Oil Exploration	10p to 220p
Saatchi	8p to 103p
Shell Trans	16p to 578p
Steinberg	24p to 22p
Sunbeam Wolsey	4p to 41p
Tricentrol	8p to 172p
Ultramar	8p to 236p
Wolsey Hughes	8p to 208p

Falls

Caledonia Inv	6p to 241p
Castlefield	6p to 257p
Harrisons Cros	13p to 512p
Hickson Welch	6p to 208p
Hutch Whamp	7p to 69p
Jardine M'son	15p to 191p
Lucas Ind	8p to 292p
Petaling Tin	5p to 235p
Portals	6p to 210p
Stothert & Pitt	10p to 223p
Sungei Besi	10p to 190p
Swire Pac 'A'	11p to 111p
Tronoh	5p to 210p
Wheelock Marden	4p to 40p

Sterling fell by 10 points to $1.9670. The effective exchange rate index was at 62.2.
Gold rose by $2.50 to $210.125 an oz.
SDR-$ was 1.29493 on Thursday, while SDR-£ was 0.655960.
Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1,518.1 (previous, 1,518.7).

Equities hardly tested.

Gilt-edged securities quite but firm.

Investment dollar premium $2.25 per cent (effective rate 39.1 per cent).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.75	1.69
Austria Sch	28.75	26.75
Belgium Fr	62.50	59.00
Canada $	2.36	2.29
Denmark Kr	10.67	10.17
Finland Mkk	8.16	7.76
France Fr	8.77	8.37
Germany Dm	3.88	3.66
Greece Dr	81.00	77.00
Hongkong $	9.60	9.15
Italy Lr	1710.00	1625.00
Japan Yn	395.00	370.00
Netherlands Gld	4.19	3.96
Norway Kr	10.26	9.81
Portugal Esc	95.00	89.50
S Africa Rd	1.82	1.68
Spain Pes	147.00	140.00
Sweden Kr	8.86	8.46
Switzerland Fr	3.39	3.17
US $	2.02	1.96
Yugoslavia Dnr	44.00	41.25

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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	1978 £	1977 £
Turnover	4,343,000	3,916,000
Profit before tax	390,000	365,000
Retained surplus	275,000	129,000
Dividends	0.8065 pence	0.5435 pence
Net assets per share	16.75 pence	13.38 pence

In the past two years we have invested over £450,000 in new machinery and equipment. This large investment programme will continue this year with an additional factory for Southern Industries at Croydon, and later with new buildings for Spencer Gears at Leicester, as well as new machinery elsewhere in the group.

The upsurge in turnover in the final quarter of the year has given a good start to the current year. Order books show an improvement over the same period last year, and I am optimistic of the outcome for the year. The company's prospects are good.

F. W. Forbes, *Chairman*

Copies of the annual report are available from the Secretary SPENCER GEARS (HOLDINGS) LIMITED Roger Street, London WC1

US airlines will be forced out of IATA fares accord if Government finds price-fixing practice is illegal

From Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent
Geneva, Nov 13

The resignation of Delta, the third largest airline in the United States, from the International Air Transport Association was dismissed as "of very minor importance" by Mr Knut Hammarskjöld, Director General of the association here today.

But Mr Hammarskjöld, speaking at the IATA annual meeting, agreed that there were some other airlines with few international routes who might follow.

Delta's departure was prompted by its growing dissatisfaction over the lengthy processes by which IATA sets international fares. In the face of the strong trend towards cheap air travel, it is a frustration which is shared by many of the association's 109 airlines.

To meet this feeling a new charter will allow airlines to remain trade association members while opting out of the fare-setting conferences and make individual deals with the countries to which they fly. Fares should thus continue to go down.

Asked today how many airlines would leave IATA to fix their own fares, Mr Hammarskjöld said: "My educated guess is that the majority will remain full members."

But the American airlines, which form the most powerful block within IATA, could be forced to opt out on the fares side if their Government, which is pressing for most regulations in air transport to be relaxed, finds that the fares-fixing procedures of the association are illegal in United States law.

All senior executives of the United States airlines to whom I spoke here today indicated that they were awaiting the outcome of this question before announcing their future in IATA.

But whatever happens in the United States, the association will have the continued loyalty of the airlines in most of the rest of the world, particularly the Middle East and Africa, where competition is nothing like as intense.

Mr Hammarskjöld told delegates that the action of the United States Government was a "direct attack" on IATA traffic conferences at which fares are set. He saw it as a geographic extension of anti-trust legislation which would open a pandora's box of airline uncertainty, resulting in public confusion and government confrontation.

Señor Manuel de Prado, president of IATA, who is also president of Iberia, the Spanish national airline, referred today to British efforts to make his airline transfer all services to Gatwick Airport from the spring to relieve pressure on Heathrow.

Such a move, he said, would be "a catastrophe".

It would lose Iberia £20m a year, and he was firm that the airline would not move from Heathrow unless instructed by the Spanish Government, representatives of which were to tour Gatwick shortly at the invitation of the British Airports Authority.

Investment 'vital to meet plastics demand'

By David Felton

Unions in the petrochemical industry yesterday appealed for quick government action to ensure big investment in plant and jobs. Their fear is that if Britain delays the country would be unable to cash in on demand growth for plastics in the late 1980s and beyond.

Mr Roger Lyons, secretary of the trade union side of the petrochemicals sector working party, said that while the working party had been meeting the situation had deteriorated with plastics imports increasing from 30 per cent two years ago to 36 per cent now.

By the 1990s there was likely to be a strong market in plastic materials. "If we do not get the Government to help us make investment decisions now, we really will have failed the nation", Mr Lyons said.

Oil from the North Sea and oil by-products were being exported for the manufacture of plastics abroad, when the work could be done in this country if companies were prepared to invest, he said.

In a paper to the working party, the trade union side called for action to control dumping, to control imports from countries where health and safety regulations were not in force, to control investment abroad, and for an effective government planning unit for the industry.

In contrast, the management side of the working party were not so pessimistic, and pointed out that the industrial strategy involves a higher rate of investment than continental competitors in order to secure a greater slice of EEC and world markets.

They pointed out that the primary objective must be a healthy United Kingdom industry, making effective use of all its resources. The increase in demand for plastics over the next decade would be no more than an average 4½ per cent per year. There is sufficient plant to meet this demand but beyond this period to 1990, two new United Kingdom olefin plants would be needed, in addition to the ICI/BP plant now under construction at Wilton.

The management side said that faster rates of investment and output growth depended on the prospect of sustained higher rates of economic growth in the United Kingdom and EEC areas.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cost of harnessing waste energy from electricity generators

From Mr L. G. Brookes

Sir, Pearce Wright (Energy Supplement, October 24) is sound in asking that we should try to make some use of the waste heat from electricity production, but I am afraid I disagree with him when he repeatedly condemns the energy conversion industries—electricity in particular—for wasting energy.

Two questions are raised: Is it wasteful to convert three therms of primary energy into one therm of electricity in the first place? Given that electricity is required, how far should we go to make use of the waste heat that is an inevitable by-product of electricity production?

On the first point, a substantial market exists for a highly-valued product called electricity. Some much less valuable commodities (low grade coal, uranium and oil refinery residuals) are consumed in producing it. The market for these, other than for electricity production, is very limited. Uranium, in particular, has almost no other market; and much low grade coal and no doubt some residual oil would remain unsold at its present price if it were not used for electricity production.

Turning to the second question, clearly we must make use of the waste warm water if it can be done sensibly but, in its normal state, it must be one of the least versatile forms of energy it is possible to imagine—suitable only for fish-farming and heating greenhouses in the vicinity of the power station. Its value is increased when some electricity is sacrificed in order to upgrade its temperature but it is still much less valuable than electricity.

This makes it misleading to quote overall efficiency of a combined heat and power station of over 70 per cent in the same breath as an efficiency of only 35 per cent for a single purpose power station. The extra output is of low value and it may be hard to find a market for it at prices that cover the costs of upgrading and distributing it. So by all means let us do what we can to make the best use of the primary fuel used in power production (and all of them, uranium included, could be used in combined heat and power systems) but let us not make the mistake of thinking that the hot water is as valuable as the electricity or that we are justified in spending as much to deliver a therm of hot water to final customers as we would for a therm of electricity.

Yours faithfully,
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Switch to metrication is not essential

From Mr G. B. Greenwood

Sir, I read that the annual report of the Metrication Board suggests that shops be compelled to go over to the metrication system and also that road signs, speed limits, etc, be changed from miles to kilometres. The Board says—apparently—"17 million young people have been adapted to the metric system; therefore, Britain has no choice other than to make shops go metric".

As chairman, or chief executive, of various companies controlling nearly 300 clothing shops, a departmental store and several businesses involved with property, investment, or construction, I think I have some knowledge on the question of sizes.

It must be said first that the Metrication Board's comment as quoted above is rubbish,—as are, I suggest, most of that organisation's pronouncements. The fact that a quarter of the population is now familiar with both the metric system and traditional British measurements in no way makes it necessary to compel metrication in shops. All our merchandise is sized traditionally, but with the metric equivalent also.

This causes no problems whatsoever to our millions of customers, in fact not one in a thousand of our British customers asks us for a garment in his or her metric sizes and all our records and systems are based on traditional sizes.

Metrication is so far from essential that despite my responsibility I do not know, nor do I need to know, the metric equivalent of such sizes as 40in chest for a jacket or a 15½ collar for a shirt. Similarly, whilst many, perhaps most, components in the construction industry are now supplied in metric sizes it remains common practice to speak in terms of acres of land, to measure commercial property with such terms as "20'0" frontage", or "5,000 sq ft" rather than their metric equivalents, which few, if any, British property men could readily visualise.

A great deal of drivel is talked about metrication. By all means let two systems coexist as they do quite happily at the present time, but to suggest that there is a need for compulsion in this subject can be nothing more than an effort at self-justification by a totally unnecessary and, on balance, harmful body. The only compulsion appropriate in the area of metrication would be compulsion for the Metrication Board to be closed down.

Yours faithfully,
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November 3.

False assumption on opencast

From Mr William Gower

Sir, I refer to Mr. Dawson's letter published on October 30 which I believe to be a most important contribution to the opencast debate.

In previous correspondence Mr G. D. Ashley had explained that the usual process of "restoration" after opencast working results in a layer of densely compacted topsoil and subsoil over a mass of fragmented and loosely compacted overburden and that this inhospitable crust inhibits the growth of trees, hedges, root crops and, to a lesser extent, cereals.

Mr Dawson questioned this and instanced the dense growth of trees on certain sites in Wales which had been opencast. Most significantly he went on to say that "none of these had topsoil replaced nor subsoil". All the examples of growth he quoted occurred on sites which have never been subjected to the normal "restoration" process and this would seem to be the explanation for the successful growth. Because the usual layer of compacted soil has not been present to stifle growth the tree roots have been able to easily penetrate the fragmented overburden and begin the process of converting shattered strata into soil.

The rapid tree growth described by Mr Dawson is the beginning of nature's process of restoration and after a few thousand years these sites may well be restored in the true sense of the word. It may be that a period of several centuries' forestation is an essential first step in the real recovery of the land and that the National Coal Board's "restoration" provides no more than a cosmetic crust which actually retards the ultimate rehabilitation of the land for many hundreds of years.

Mr Dawson's letter highlights how little the process of restoration is really understood and how little progress has been made over the past 25 years. It highlights how easy it is to make false assumptions and how urgent it is to avoid further disturbance of the landscape until a great deal more is known.

Yours faithfully,
WILLIAM GOWER,
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39 Farrar Lane,
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Leeds.
November 6.

Busy lines at Post Office

From Mr B. H. Rivett

Sir, In an age of STD and Satellites, Busby and Mickey Mouse, squawk-boxes and warblers, dial-a-disc and Test match scores, keeping Mum by telephoning Dad and my girlfriend happy by giving her a ring, the GPO has just informed me, after a month's careful consideration, that they should be able to install a telephone after May, 1979.

Is this a record?

Yours faithfully,
B. H. RIVETT,
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Greenwich,
London, SE10.

No pressure on societies

From Mr C. P. Moreton

Sir, I was very interested in Mr Stuart Goldman's letter (October 31). Personally speaking, I have a good deal of sympathy with his sound comments. I would however like to take issue on two points.

He implies that building societies are being coerced (by whom it is not clear) to undervalue properties to keep prices down. In my wide experience no such pressure has ever taken place, and it would be quite improper for it to be so and moreover against legislative requirements. The suitability of any security which is to be the subject of a mortgage loan is largely dependent on the advice of an independent and fully competent valuer. The valuer must take into account all matters (too many to enumerate here) likely to affect the current or foreseeable maintainable value of the property in question. This must be a completely unprejudiced and unrestricted opinion based on all the comparative evidence available.

There is a further misconception, common in many quarters. Valuers do not undervalue. If a valuation is below the purchase price there can be many reasons for this but principally it is usually because in the opinion of the valuer concerned the property is over-priced for the purpose of a mortgage valuation.

Yours,
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November 3.

Printing by continuous jets of ink

£10,000 technology award goes to new company

A £10,000 award for technological innovation has been won by Domino Printing Sciences, Cambridge, a company which was set up only this year to develop and produce ink-jet printers.

The company should be in production early next year, using technology developed by Cambridge Consultants, the Arthur D. Little subsidiary.

The TDC Innovator Award is sponsored annually by Technical Development Capital, the venture-capital arm of the Industrial and Commercial Finance Corporation (ICFC).

Mr Graeme Minto, the founder and managing director of Domino, was previously engaged on ink-jet printing research and development at Cambridge Consultants.

The company's Unijet machines will use a technique involving continuous jets of ink, electrostatically deflected, and will be microprocessor-controlled.

It is a non-contact process, because the jets of projected on to the surface and its energy consumption is low.

Compared with competing products, mainly American, the because the jets are projected Domino printer should be cheaper, selling for about £10,000. The company is signing an agreement covering the use under licence of Cambridge Consultants technology, and Cambridge is also carrying out further development work under contract to Domino in completing a prototype printer.

Printing-industry applications of the new machines will be handled on an agency basis for Domino by W. Lethaby & Co of Andover; and a Unijet-based system for the packaging industry is being introduced by Printos Systems, a member of the Helix Labels group.

In the Domino ink-jet printer the microprocessor not only controls the operation of the device in a preprogrammed way but also monitors it continuously. Future applications which are envisaged for the system include its use in word processing, office copying and computer print-out.

Lord Seebohm, chairman of TDC and of ICFC, presented the award, and other awards to three runners-up, in London yesterday. He said advances in technology were essential if we were to improve our real economic wealth.

He agreed with Mr Booth, Minister of Employment, that it was not certain that the use of microprocessors would cause unemployment, but it was absolutely certain that a failure to exploit microprocessors properly would lead to severe unemployment.

The three runners-up were: Dunford Hepburn of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, a source-powered digital voltmeter suitable in particular for aluminium smelting; Mendel King & Ray of Leeds, the Kingray reflective road stud; and Shortway Rope Guides of Peterhead, a new type of roller guide system for ships.

Kenneth Owen

Sir Monty attacks British quality

Sir Monty Finniston, chairman of Sears Engineering said the failure of British manufacturers to match in quality, or even make goods competing with those being imported is a "crying shame".

Sir Monty, former chairman of British Steel, was opening the Public Works Congress at the Exhibition Centre in Birmingham yesterday. He said that a large proportion of the exhibitors came from abroad and their products were chosen on merit, because they met specific needs.

He said: "Take a good look at the competition and make your product better. We have the education and skills to do so."

When the public works exhibition was last held in 1976, contracts and firm orders worth £313m were received, of which 42 per cent was for export and Sir Monty looked for a big improvement, this year.

This year's show is marked by the absence of many of the big name manufacturers and distributors because of the soaring costs of exhibiting. One large company said it was spending more than £50,000 this week—and the industry is still struggling with depressed markets, and intense competition.

The Federation of Manufacturers of Construction Equipment and Cranes argued strongly, that the present two-year cycle of exhibition is too budensome and Coles, one of its members, has already participated in more than 20 exhibitions around the world this year and is boycotting the Birmingham Exhibition like many others.

Mr Richard West, the organizing director, is disappointed at the absence of British manufacturers which has reduced the scale of the exhibition by about a quarter. More than half of the main stands are occupied by overseas manufacturers.

Earlier, a threat by members of the Transport and General Workers Union to prevent the show opening was lifted after two trucks were removed from a stand occupied by Sandersons (Ferklifts) The union has been involved in a long-standing dispute with the Skegness based company.

Pakistan Airlines may lease British Midland planes

Karachi, Nov 13.—Pakistan International Airlines is negotiating with British Midland Airways to acquire at least four Boeing 707 aircraft on leases, according to a report published in *Morning News*, Karachi's English daily.

The president of British Midland Airways recently visited Pakistan to discuss details of an agreement which is likely to be signed within the next few days, the report said.

The planes would replace a Boeing 707 leased from Aero America. The latter contract with the United States company expires on December 31.

Pakistan Airlines is already flying two Boeings leased from British Midland. — AP-Dow Jones.

RETAIL SALES

The following are the seasonally adjusted figures for the volume of retail sales and value of new instalment credit released by the Department of Industry:

	Sales by volume 1971 = 100	Percentage change latest 3 months on previous 3 months at annual rate	New credit extd £m
1977			
Sept	103.5	7.2	387
Oct	102.7	1.0	378
Nov	103.1	−3.0	401
Dec	106.9	−0.4	410
1978			
Jan	104.9	5.3	429
Feb	106.8	12.6	418
March	107.0	7.5	413
April	106.7	7.3	463
May	108.4	4.5	471
June	108.7	6.6	459
July	111.4	10.1	458
Aug	111.8	12.5	493
Sept r	109.5	10.8	476
Oct p	109.5	2.8	—

r revised
p provisional

INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT

The following are the index numbers for industrial production in August seasonally adjusted, released by the Central Statistical Office yesterday (1975 = 100).

	Total Industries	Total manufacturing industries
1977		
Oct	105.7	101.8
Nov	105.6	101.7
Dec	106.4	102.8
1978		
Jan	106.9	102.4
Feb	107.4	102.2
March	107.1	102.9
April	111.4	105.5
May	110.1	103.7
June	111.7	105.9
July	111.1	105.2
Aug	110.9	105.2
Sept	109.8	104.0
% rise in latest 3 months over previous 3 months	−0.4	−0.2

Business appointments

Selincourt names Mr R. J. Cole as deputy head

Mr R. J. Cole has become deputy managing director of Selincourt with effect from January 2.

Mr Duncan M. S. Simpson has been made deputy director (technical and marketing) of the Society of British Aerospace Companies.

Mr J. H. Servent is appointed counter-service director of Wimpy International. Mr M. Thompson is named United Kingdom operations director, Mr M. G. Chambers property and site planning director and Mr M. G. Jones strategic planning director.

Dr W. Dekker, a member of the management board of N. V. Philips Gloeilampenfabrieken is to become vice-president from January 1.

Mr Leslie D. Sheppard joins Wunderman International as chairman on January 1. He will also assume the title of chief executive and chief operating officer.

Mr Michael Wilson has been made deputy chairman of R. E. Truss.

Mr Derek Gray has become marketing director of the hydraulic hose division of Dunlop Industrial Group.

Mr Graham Pusey has been appointed a director of National Utility Service Inc (UK).

Mr J. Adamson is to retire as chairman of William Leech (Builders) but will continue as a director of the company. Mr J. R. Adamson has been appointed chairman, at the same time retaining his present position as group managing director.

Mr Phil Gheerbrant has become deputy managing director of Roy-West Banking Corporation, an associate of National Westminster Bank, based in Nassau, Bahamas.

Mr P. E. Hammond, a general manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, has been appointed as a director of the Saudi British Bank. Mr Keith Hindle has been appointed manager, merchant banking division, the Saudi British Bank.

Mr P. H. Lord and Mr T. L. T. Lewis are new board directors for Private Patients Plan.

Mr D. E. Cooper, Mr J. C. Hall, Mr A. A. Sealey, and Mr D. T. Watt have been appointed to the board of Barlow Rand.

Mr Mark Strutt will be handing over as senior partner of Strutt and Parker, having reached the age of 65. Colonel George Judd will also be stepping down for the same reason and they will both become limited partners of the firm. Mr Peter Lee has been appointed senior partner and will take over from May 1, 1979. Deputy senior partners will be Mr Michael Harris and Mr Guy Lyster.

Mr Keith A. Kimber has been made sales director of D. & R. England, Standeven & Co and Duncan Barraclough & Co.

Mr P. Magnus has been appointed a director of New Century Ventures Group.

C.E. Heath & Co. Limited

INTERIM REPORT 1978-79

Unaudited results for the six months to 30th September 1978

COMPARATIVE RESULTS	Six months to 30th September 1978 £'000	1977 £'000	Year to 31st March 1978 £'000
Net Brokerage income	3,602	3,401	9,446
Net Underwriting income	2,248	1,903	4,599
Operating profit	6,489	5,468	14,827
Net profit attributable	3,132	2,533	7,941
Earnings per share	10.7p	8.8p	27.5p

- Total group profit before tax is £6,538,000 (1977—£5,442,000), an increase of 20.1%. An interim dividend of 1.621p per share net will be paid on 4th January 1979. This is equivalent to 2.42p gross (1977—2.2p gross) and in addition there will be paid a supplementary dividend of 0.05098p per share in respect of the year 1977/78 to make good the shortfall on the final dividend following the reduction in the rate of A.C.T. It is the intention of the Board to take advantage of the Dividends Act 1978 at the time of the final dividend.
- Our insurance broking income was £8.80 million, which is an increase of 13.2%, the major proportion being contributed by the companies based in the UK where the Group is showing a good advance on last year.
- The Group's underwriting operations after expenses have contributed £2,248,000—an increase of 18.1%. Satisfactory progress is being made by both our underwriting agencies and our insurance company operations in Australia. Prospects for Lloyd's underwriting are that the 1975 year of account, which is due to be closed on 31st December 1978, will mark a return to profitable underwriting.
- With the weakening of the dollar and over capacity in the world insurance markets we have to operate in more difficult conditions, but there are good prospects that we should achieve reasonable growth in 1978/79.

F.R.D. HOLLAND, *Chairman*

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INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE BROKERS REINSURANCE BROKERS AND UNDERWRITING AGENTS

Coutts & Co. announce that their Base Rate will be increased from 11½% to 12½% per annum for balances in their books on and after 14th November, 1978 and until further notice.

The Deposit Rate on monies subject to seven days' notice of withdrawal will increase from 8½% to 10% per annum.

National Westminster Bank

NatWest announces that with effect from Tuesday, 14th November, 1978 its Base Rate is increased from 11½% to 12½% per annum.
The basic Deposit and Savings Account rates will be increased from 8½% to 10% per annum.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Volume gains at Unilever

nains cautious about the s underlying recovery, but its ics show a good third-quarter upon the more tentative second. The main European kets, it is now clear, are grow-lly. Thus after a disappointing volume decline in the first roup was up by 4 per cent in d by 6 per cent in the third. s, meanwhile, have been rela-d. Most raw material prices, ption of edible oils, have held esult upon a business which s highly volume sensitive has er cent rise in third-quarter 1m against a 9 per cent rise 87m.

not without its problems, how-er goods business in Europe, letries, has been well up, but l businesses are still flat. lmittedly, are off the bottom owing any momentum to speak

America, meanwhile, profits :cause of heavy promotional to launch new products and :h is making a negligible con-of financing costs. UAC Inter-done well, but Unilever warns sion in Nigeria is now catching

ast part, though, the business ring decisively in Unilever's third quarter probably con-stocking in its volume growth nd, and the present growth in likely to continue well into That, in turn, should mean-tivity in the industrial as well mer field. This year profits mething in excess of £600m, d well be £100m or so better ally apposite for shareholders th of Unilever's position as a dge. Any sterling weakness e shares, yielding 3.8 per cent selling at seven times prospec-beginning to recover some of st in the past two years.

al Union

the North in cycle

nion's profits continue to move d on the back of an improved experience in most territories. per cent pre-tax rise to £101.1m onth stage, despite a swing of per cent against the group on ige, boosted the shares 7p to y.

ne market's long-held fears that r big composites with heavy involvement, are running out the underwriting front are soothed by yesterday's report a good third quarter when the rating ratio dropped to 99.4 per r cent) the group has produced underwriting profit of £1.4m onths against a deficit last time



ndilands, chairman of Commercial

its competition is now becoming cularly in auto and commercial sses and the long expected down eems just around the corner. The t the downturn will be more n in the past, helped by the ll Street's problems on the ratios groups, although rising interest ncouraging groups to cut rates investment profits to make up

The other factor on CU's side is that having been hardest hit in the last United States downturn it has been more cautious this time around, both on reserving and selection of business than some of its main competitors.

Even so despite strong improvements elsewhere particularly in the United Kingdom, where the underwriting profit is £3m against an £800,000 deficit previously, CU's profits progress is going to start looking pretty pedestrian from now on.

Full-year profits of comfortably over £135m—an improvement of almost two-fifths on last year are still in prospect, but further growth next year could be distinctly less, even allowing for a reasonably good run on the weather front.

A prospective p/e rates of just over 7, then, and yield of 8¼ per cent would otherwise be attractive for those prepared to believe that some sanity has returned to the United States insurance market since the last major shakeout.

C. E. Heath

Dispelling doubts

C. E. Heath's minimal exposure of about 10 per cent to the marine market may leave it slightly out of line in comparison with the other brokers. Nevertheless, interim profits growth of 20 per cent to £6.5m after adverse exchange movements of £600,000 in brokerage and £174,000 in Australian underwriting indicates that some of the recent pessimism around the sector has been overdone.

In broking the United States market appears to be showing remarkable resilience with rates not yet suffering from intense competition. Moreover, even with brokerage income slightly below budgeted level, Heath's overall expense ratio has only risen 4.6 points to 69.9 per cent, representing a virtually unchanged 65.9 per cent after adding back the currency movements.

Meanwhile the move into Australian underwriting has produced a 71 per cent growth in underwriting profits although reduced investment income cuts this to 18 per cent increase in the total underwriting contribution to £2.25m. The venture, however, remains in its initial growth phase and has some years to run yet before it can overcome long-term misgivings outside the company.

So, currency fears aside, Heath appears on course for profits of £17.5m this year taking in a maiden contribution of £750,000 from the Sprinks acquisition in France. One puzzle remains as to how maintainable is the leap from £164,000 to £639,000 in "other operating income" which the company puts down to "a more positive approach to the use of the group's funds" and must include some elements of currency gains.

But growth above the line of 19 per cent should be ahead of the sector while an increase of perhaps 13 per cent below the line, after a higher tax charge, can be translated straight through into dividends. This still only takes the yield up to a prospective 3.3 per cent but the p/e ratio of below eight is low for the sector and should ensure support for the shares at 252p.

● *This time it was NatWest's turn to give a lead on base rates. But by the close of business yesterday evening it might just have started wondering why nobody else had followed. The other clearers are presumably waiting to give the money markets a rather longer period to digest last week's measures and the impact of Thursday's and Friday's heavy institutional purchases of Government stock.*

Certainly, there has been some doubt as to whether or not the authorities have gone rather farther than necessary in lifting MLR as high as 12½ per cent and, so far as deterring round-tripping is concerned, a 12 per cent base rate would seem to be more than adequate. Whichever way it goes, however, no single clearer will be able to remain out of line with the others for long.

On the other hand, it may be that deposit rates are an even more important consideration. In raising its seven day branch deposit rate from 8½ to 10 per cent NatWest has further reduced its margins. Those clearers who were ahead of NatWest on deposit rates until yesterday are, however, hardly likely to let themselves be leapfrogged; and a 10 per cent deposit rate, 12 per cent base rate relationship may not be the most likely of prospects.

TOTAL CAR AND VAN TYRE PRODUCTION IN U.K.

Production	Cross Ply	Radial
1973	9,828,000	16,095,000
1974	7,189,000	16,187,000
1975	5,809,000	15,869,000
1976	4,809,000	20,635,000
1977	4,071,000	20,510,000
1978 (1st half)	1,563,000	10,290,000

Costly miscalculations by the tyremakers

Dunlop's impending announcement of a cut-back in its European tyre operation is likely to be the first of several similar moves by the big tyre manufacturers within the next year.

The biggest British-based manufacturer, Dunlop, was yesterday holding meetings with union officials to explain the company's problems, and is expected to announce shortly cuts in its workforce and possibly plant closures as remedial action for a £10m drop in half year profits. A large part of the drop was attributed by the company to the depressed market.

Dunlop is not on its own in looking for ways to reduce overcapacity in a period when the United Kingdom tyre market is expected to remain static until 1981.

Firestone UK went to the Department of Industry earlier this month seeking government help to carry it through this period, and industry experts say they would not be surprised if one or two of the British manufacturers pull out of the market completely in the next year or so.

The industry's problems are deep-seated. They can be traced back to a number of causes with which, arguably, the industry has taken far too long to come to grips.

Competition

The start of these problems was the abolition of resale price maintenance. This led to cut-throat competition between the manufacturers which still shows no signs of abating.

The difficulties ahead were masked, however, because of the virtual monopoly in the replacement market of cross-ply tyres which were good for about 15,000 miles, and led to a high turnover in replacements. The introduction of the new law in 1968 governing tread depth and the steady increase in car ownership also helped to cushion the manufacturers.

But throughout the late sixties the writing was on the wall as the radial tyre, which had been developed by the French group, Michelin, increased in popularity. In 1972 the sales of radial overtook cross-plys in Britain and this tyre—which one industry expert described as "the tyre that lasts too long"—was to become an important factor in the industry's decline.

A fabric-based radial will run for about 20,000 miles, and a steel-based radial for 30,000 miles—there have even been cases of the steel-based tyre running for 50,000 miles—and for this much superior product the customer has to pay a premium of as little as £4.

The introduction of the radial tyre squeezed profit margins as people realized that for a little extra outlay they could buy a tyre which would last twice as long as the old cross-ply.

It was against this background that the oil crisis struck the industry a body blow in 1973. Raw material costs soared and because of rocketing petrol prices, motorists reduced their milage. Add to these factors the motoring public's attitude to buying tyres—the industry calls it "distress buying", or in other words you do not buy a tyre until it is absolutely unavoidable—and you have all the makings of a crisis.

This crisis has been exacerbated by imports from East European countries. In 1970 only 70,000 tyres were imported from this source into the United Kingdom but last year the figure had risen to 685,000. As these tyres are now being landed in Britain at about £4.82 each, the industry complains that they are being dumped.

It is estimated that East European tyres are landing at less than the cost of production of equivalent United Kingdom-manufactured tyres. For the past few months the British Rubber Manufacturers Association (BRMA) has been putting together a case for submission to the European Commission for a duty on these cheap imports, the vast proportion of which come from East Germany.

That submission is now awaiting approval from the Department of Trade before being sent to the commission and it is likely that a decision from Brussels is still some time off. The BRMA's worries about cheap imports are increased by the fact that although at the moment the 500,000 tyres a year which come from East Germany are fabric-based radials, the Germans have started marketing a steel-based radial truck tyre. It is thought to be only a question of time before they develop a steel-based radial car tyre which can be sold in the United Kingdom.

The BRMA and the individual companies realize that anti-dumping duties will not be the complete answer and other drastic action will have to be taken to reduce the overcapacity.

There has been a steady contraction in the industry's workforce since the problems started to bite in 1973. The General and Municipal Workers' Union, which has a large membership in the rubber industry, says that there are about 37,000 people employed in tyre manufacture now compared with 47,000 five years ago.

Even more jobs will have to go before the industry begins to recover. The unions complain about the reluctance of companies to discuss the problem in detail with them and do not accept that jobs will have to disappear in what is a highly labour intensive industry. Instead they want to discuss changes in working practices, particularly a shorter working week.

Market shares

There is a marked reticence in the industry to reveal the market share of each company but it is estimated that in both the original equipment (that is tyres fitted to new vehicles) and replacement sectors the leading home producers are Michelin, followed closely by Dunlop, with Goodyear close behind. Firestone, with 11 per cent, leads the smaller manufacturers which include Pirelli, Avon and Uniroyal.

Such is the competitiveness that the big manufacturers have their own retail outlets in order to keep control of their sales. Associated Tyre Services is owned by Michelin, National Tyre Services by Dunlop, and Tyre Services by Goodyear. But there is the ludicrous situation where these outlets sell the cheap imports in competition with the parent companies' brands because of the high mark-up on tyres landed at such low prices.

The most pessimistic industry watchers expect massive upheaval in the next 12 months and one analyst who has been studying the industry for many years has even predicted tough times ahead for the market leader Michelin, which up to now has been a highly successful company.

David Felton

How labour shortages threaten the Soviet economy

Moscow

The Soviet Union is fast approaching an economic crisis exactly the opposite to that looming on the horizon in the West. For whereas Western economists are now forecasting an ever-increasing number of unemployed, the Soviet Union is suffering from an acute shortage of labour.

There are simply not enough children being born to keep the wheels of Soviet industry turning.

The Russians have always been worried by their low birth rate, but recent statistics make it clear how serious the situation has become. According to a 1972 sample from the Central Statistical Board, 56 per cent of families in the Russian Republic—which accounts for the bulk of the population—had only one child. Another 33 per cent had only two children, and 6 per cent had three.

Whereas it was possible to draw housewives and private farmers into the industrial labour force these reserves are now exhausted

But the shortage of young people for the future labour force is compounded by the falling productivity of those already working. And attempts to remedy things are frustrated by political and social obstacles.

Greater flexibility in the labour market is impossible without some pool of unemployment; the attempt to draw more women into the labour force has reached its limit and is one of the reasons for the low birth rate.

In central Asia, with a high birth rate, only a very small percentage of school leavers train as skilled workers, and the riddidity of the system forces factories to hoard labour and is a disincentive to introducing greater automation and mechanization.

All these things are seriously worrying Soviet economists and a surprising amount has been discussed openly. But no one has come up with any real solutions that do not involve wholesale economic reform. And in the present twilight period with a conservative and aging leadership, all hope of that is now out of the question.

Soviet economists agree that an immediate target must be an increase in labour productivity. But figures point to a slowing down. In 1976 and 1977 productivity for industry as a whole rose by 7.5 per cent as against the target for the current five-year plan of 8.8 per cent.

The 1978 plan makes no provision for overcoming these lags, and from 1976 to 1978 higher productivity will account for 76 per cent of the increase in industrial output as against the planned target of 80 per cent.

The state planning committee is always being asked by ministries for additional allocations of workers for new and existing enterprises. "But it is well known that the country has no free manpower reserves", Professor A. V. Bachurin, the committee's vice-chairman, admitted recently.

Indeed, he said, the annual increase in the able-bodied populaton was falling steadily: in 1976 it was 2,800,000, this year it is 2,200,000 and by 1980 it will be 1,500,000. Whereas in the past it was possible to draw housewives and private farmers into the industrial labour force, these reserves are now exhausted in most parts of the country.

Though there is no official unemployment, the authorities calculate that roughly 20 million people change their place or sphere of work every year. But they do not change jobs as the economy would like.

Organized redistribution of labour accounts for only a small percentage of this movement. "We think organized recruitment, resettlement, public appeals and job placement through local labour agencies should be given further development", Professor Bachurin said.

Until now Byelorussia, the Ukraine and Moldavia have provided the main source of manpower sent to other republics through organized redistribution. People are needed most in Siberia and on the virgin lands, and this year about 90 per cent of all workers sent there came from these three republics.

However, Central Asia—Tadzhikistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Kirghizia—all have large numbers of young people. The problem is that they do not want to move, and they are not much use as skilled workers because of different social traditions and lack of technical education.

Indeed, throughout the Soviet Union there is a shortfall in the number of students entering technical colleges. In Central Asia especially very few school pupils enrol in vocational-technical schools and even fewer go on to the secondary stage of these schools (some 5 per cent of the general school population in Tadzhikistan compared with 27 per cent in Latvia).

Accelerating the pace of technical education is supposed to play an important role in expanding the training of skilled workers. But Professor Bachurin said the situation "gives cause for concern. Last year only 65 per cent of the training vacancies were filled, leaving 37,000 empty places in vocational schools.

The low technical ability of the central Asians means that the rapid increase in population there does not really help the labour situation. Some Soviet demographers have therefore proposed a differential system—payments and encouragement for Latvians to have children, for example, but not for Uzbeks.

"The state has an interest not only in the quantity of its citizens but also in their quality", Miss G. Litvinova, a demographer, wrote recently.

"It matters to the state what sort of population or what sort of manpower is increased—whether these people have a high or low degree of training, whether they have a high degree of mobility, or, by virtue of a number of circumstances (such as a language barrier) are tied down to a specific region."

Such a view is resolutely rejected by Professor Y. L. Manevich, a distinguished Soviet economist and head of the Economics Institute at the Soviet Union Academy of Science. He calls it "fundamentally mistaken", saying it would do nothing to help raise the birthrate of the country as a whole.

Though he does not say it, it also smacks of Russian chauvinism, especially at a time when some Russians are increasingly uneasy at the *spectre of the Muslim Asian* population overtaking the Slavs in the Soviet Union.

Professor Manevich quotes the reply of President Brezhnev to a *Le Monde* correspondent's question on this changing balance: "As far as population growth in one republic of our country or another is concerned, this phenomenon doesn't disturb us. On the contrary it gladdens us."

Mechanization has long been suggested as the answer to the labour shortage. But as well as going against the conservative management policies of most Soviet enterprises, it also does not appear to solve the problem.

In spite of the rapid rise in the amount of machinery available per worker, a senior research assistant at the Economics Institute wrote recently: "The absolute number of employees doing unskilled, semiskilled and strenuous manual labour continues to increase in both basic and auxiliary production."

And statistics show how slow progress is here: 80 per cent of the 13 million people handling materials and doing warehouse jobs work by hand. Factories spend only about 20 per cent of their funds for mechanization on these auxiliary operations.

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On top of all this the labour shortage is aggravated by factories keeping people unnecessarily on the payroll in case the factories' targets are suddenly altered, or to cope with their obligation to send workers out to help with the harvest.

And apart from a rather unsuccessful experimental exception, factories are allocated additional funds for overheads according to their category, which depends on the size of their payroll. There is no incentive to cut staff if this also cuts such things as sports facilities.

All this has been thoroughly aired in the Soviet press. But as the population continues to fall, the incentives to work harder lose their appeal and the need for new labour in Siberia increases, the Soviet Union is rapidly approaching a severe economic crisis.

There are no signs yet that a solution is on its way.

Michael Binyon

Bryant Holdings

HOMES : PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT : BUILDING : CIVIL ENGINEERING

★ Profit before exceptional item and taxation £3.24m compared with £2.66m last year.

★ Exceptional item of £2.63m being provision against investment in Saudi Arabia.

★ Gross final dividend 2.3p per share (2.1p last year) — maximum permissible.

★ Homes and property continue to be the main profitable activities. Cash position very satisfactory with borrowings reduced by £3m from previous year.

★ Market value of large land bank substantially in excess of balance sheet figure.

★ Reserves increased by development surplus of £1.38m additional to trading profit.

★ Satisfactory results anticipated for current year.

PRINCIPAL RESULTS

Year ended May 31	1978 £	1977 £
TURNOVER	57,000,000	65,000,000
Profit before exceptional item and taxation	3,249,449	2,661,516
Exceptional item	2,635,420	—
Taxation	1,139,316	1,613,827
Extraordinary items	485,865	—
(Deficit)/Profit after taxation	(39,422)	1,047,689
Ordinary Dividend	501,866	452,002
Earnings per share	(2.7p)	4.8p

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Business Diary: Brighthelmstone Revisit'd

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Critical encounter: Baring's John Baring (left), Doctor Johnson and Boswell.

wine, fince there waf no bar on the ftage.

He faid: "I did not leave off wine becaufe I could not bear it; I have drunk three bottles of port without being the worfe for it. Univerfity College haf witneff'd that."

I afked: "Why, then, did you leave it off?" "Why, Fir", fayf he, "Becaufe it is much better for a man to be fure that he if never to be intoxicated, never to lofe the power over himfelf. I fhall not drink wine again, until I grow old, and want it."

Fomcely hail we taken our placef at the conference hall, the Dome, then one of the mercantile, a Mr Greenborough, the leader of their company, avowed that he did defire mighrily" the maximifation of the velocity of attrindinel change".

Thif fo o'erwhelmed for its probikity and admamantine nonferficality that, knowing Dr Johnfon to be deaf, I enquir'd from my other neighbour whether it waf poffible for a man of affairf to speak fo, or had my auricular powerf betray'd me?

Upon communicating hif anfwer to Dr Johnfon I at firft thought the fage would expire. It waf fertainly the firft and, I truft, will be the laft time in our extenfive acquaintance that i knew the great man to be loft for wordf. "A glaff of wine, Fir, I implore you," fayf I, for with one eye on the lexicographier who even now feem'd to be apoplecktical, I could fee from my pocket-watch that it waf now paft H and fo they were indeed now open.

"A glaff of wine," I befeech'd him once more on gaining the Ftar & Garter.

He fhook hif head, and replied "Poor ftuff! No, Fir, claret if the liquor for boyf; port for men; but (and here he nodded weakly in the direction of the tradefmen whence we came) he who afpiref to be a hero muft drink brandy."

Thif he did, to fuch effect that af the fhadowf grew long I waf oblig'd to command two ftout chairmen to convey the fage to where we lay at the Metropole.

Having left the doctor dreaming who knowf what philofophical dream in hif room (and certainly no room fo look like the hermit'f cell than doef a room at the Metropole), I bethought me I had dropp'd my notebook.

Mindful of the weighty sentiments of Dr Johnfon there entrapped, I repair'd to the Ftar & Garter but my book waf not there.

It took no more than a couple of bradief more for me to brave alone once more the rigourf of that defolate place, the Dome. There I found my book, where I had left it, and open at a moft pretty place, viz upon a remark of the Doctor'f moft fitting to the merchantf' deliberationf.

"It if of no consequence", he had faid aboard coach "how high the wagef of manufacturerf are; but it would be of very bad confequence to raife the wagef of thofe who procure the immediate neceffarief of life, for that would raife the price of provifionf. Here then if a problem for politicianf."

Imagine, therefore, how great my furprife af I reach'd down for the book to hear from the platform some fellow venture to obferve that "Dr Johnfon waf a bore a lot of the time." My fhard'd eyef went ftraight to the doctor'f chair, and were relievd to fee it yet empty of the great lexicographer.

However juftly did he wear the mantle of philofopher, he would not for a moment fcrupl'd to caft afide, and clambering upon the ftage would certainly have vifited upon the dog the fruitf of fuch coxcombery. Of what elfe the rogue said I had not earf to liften.

Ross Davies

MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Equities await a firm lead

There were signs of indigestion in the gilt edged market yesterday as many institutions sat back replete with the long tap stock they bought last Friday. Today's trade figures were also holding potential buyers back. Nor were they in any mood to take on trust the Chancellor's pronouncements about his willingness to raise taxes or do whatever else was necessary to counter a pay explosion.

After official business had finished news that Ford and the unions were planning to meet on Wednesday helped sentiment. But pulling against this was word that matters were worsening again in the Middle East. But oil majors such as BP and Shell were still holding earlier gains.

Cadbury Schweppes has shown noteworthy strength recently. Hopes are for a 1978 profit increase of around 9 per cent to £52.5m and some say they could rise to around £65m next year after United Kingdom cost savings, a recovery in tea, and the Peter Paul merger in the United States. The yield is nearly 9 per cent.

The upshot was that short dated stock eased at first but at the close there were scattered gains of 1/16. The temporary absence of any new tap to replace Friday' sexhaustion of the 12 per cent Exchequer 1999-2002 enabled medium dated stock and longs to hold their ground. Dealers are anticipating another tap later this week.

Apart from economic indicators such as trade figures statistics on Thursday the start of a new fortnightly account in equities was also subdieud by the imminence of a spate of big names in company news. Those may shed light on how badly profitability will be dented by the Chancellor's latest measures.

The FT Index started by being 2.8 down but by noon it was all square. At the close the index was 1.3 or 0.3 per cent to the good at 474.5. But it was not really tested—bargains marked were only 4.573 against 4.396 on Friday and 3,938 last Monday.

Small gains were seen in blue chips. Unilever led the field with a rise of 7p to 539p following the announcement of third-quarter figures more or less on target, ICI improved 5p to 365p and Glaxo showed a rise of 3p to 533p. Hawker Siddeley and Beecham both edged up 2p to 228p and 635p and Courtaulds showed a net gain of 1p on the day at 114p. GEC at 315p, Fisons at 318p and John Brown at 414p finished all square on the day. Going against the trend J. Lucas slid 8p to 292p after going ex-dividend.

Interim figures from Commercial Union provided the market with one of its most interesting feartures of the day. Figures at the higher end of market expectations pushed the shares up 7p to 143p. A cautious reception to the interim figures of Harrisons Crosfield, left the shares down 13p at 512p, while a profits setback for the year at Concentric set the shares back 3p to 37p. Elsewhere, the news was slightly better on the profits front with Cope Sportswear up 4p to 54½p, Norwest Holst 2p to 88p and Seccombe Marshall finishing firm at 195p.

John Haggas returned from suspension after nes of merger terms and the shares nudged ahead 2p to 183p.

However, Dawson International slipped back 1p to 87p after going ex-scrip. Wm Baird, which has substantial interests in Dawson remained unchanged on the day of 175p despite earlier gains of 2p.

In the meantime, a bid of 10p a share for the furniture group Kean & Scott boosted the shares 6p to double the offer price.

Lack of further progress left Allied Retailers unchanged at 135p as Associated Dairies slipped back 5p to 170p.

Weekend press comment attracted interest Dowty up 8p to 259p and Lawtex 5p to 65p. Saatchi & Saatchi Compton gained 8p to 103p while interest was also aroused in Sunbeam Wolsey 4p to the good at 41p.

Some strong gains were also noted in Electricals and Engineeering with Davy International jumping 5p to 149p Racal 6p to 320p and Farnell Electric 4p to 257p. Thorn put on 4p to 352p, Hoover 'A' 2p to 245p: EMI finished unchanged at 150p while Babcock & Wilcox shed 1p to 150p.

The only sector to show real strength was oils, spurred by weekend comment on the brake to oil supplies put on by the slump in output from Iran. Shell has three quarter figures on Thursday which the market has decided to look forward to in a tentative way. Shell rose 16p to 578p while BP added 22p to 906p even though it normally lifts a lot of crude from Iran.

The cheer spread even to Ultramar which retreated last week on thoughts about difficulties in Canada. The shares hardened 8p to 236p. Tricentrol was god for an 8p rise to 172p while Oil Exporation went up 10p to 220p, both extending the gains made at the end of last week.

Figures from Fine Fare and J. Sainsbury suggest good figures from Tesco for the first half year. Whether the shares, 1p up at 53p, respond will depend on the market answer to the question: Tesco has bought one bout of growth by dropping trading stamps. What will it do for an encore? A case can be made for a merger with, say, BAT.

Oil scarcity should of course assist the potential profitability of those with stakes in the North Sea. But after the official cose of business there was a tendency for leading stocks to ease on further burst of Middle Eastern jitters.

The rise of National Westminster's base rate enabling it to fall in line with other banks provided a firm base for the banking sector as its shares rose 4p to 272p. Barclays increased 8p to 348p while Midland and Lloyds both reported rises of 6p to 348p and 258p respectively.

Equity turnover on November 10 was £76.429m (14,819 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph were Shell, BP, ICI, Barclays Bank, Marks and Spencer, Tarmac besides J. Haggas and Dawson International.

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Thomas Tilling in £2m expansion

By Our Financial Staff

Thomas Tilling has continued its recent expansion with the acquisition of a British company, Cimex international, in exchange for 1.87 million Tilling shares.

The deal amounts to £2.21m based on Friday's ordinary share closing price of 118p, and the acquisition will become part of Tilling's engineering division, which include transmission equipment and agricultural machinery manufacturing.

Cimex produces specialist industrial cleaning equipment and made pre-tax profit of £474,000 on turnover of £5.2m in the year ending March 31, 1978.

It also has overseas companies and associates in the United States, Europe and the Middle East with exports and overseas business accounting for 60 per cent of sales.

Mr Peter Ryan of Thomas Tilling will become chairman of Cimex while Mr Donald Wells will continue as managing director. Mr James Elvy, the former chairman, will remain on the board.

Earlier this year Tilling, which made pre-tax profits of £27m in the year ending June 30, made an abortive attempt to take over the American Yale locks business.

The £26m takeover for Yale, which would have been Tilling's biggest ever, fell through because Tilling could not agree on a price with the Eaton Corporation. At the same time it made a £9m bid for American dental equipment manufacturer, D. L. Saslow and a £3.5m bid for Chicago-based Ambassador Insurance as part of its plan to earn 25 per cent of its profits in the United States over the next three to five years.

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the state visit of ent António dos : Ramalho Eanes, who s today, is in a dif- category. The motive l it is political soli- rather than economic and its purpose is to reaffirm an exist- elationship than to ish a new one.

ugal is, notoriously, 's oldest ally. The dates from 1373, and entenary five years ago narked by an official rom Dr Marcelo Cae- who was then Portu- Prime Minister.

t visit was boycotted e Labour Party, then osition, which instead talks with the leader e Portuguese Socialist Dr Mario Soares, who exile.

nonstrations against Dr o were organized by hoc body called the he Alliance campaign. unnamed Portuguese hat was quoted in *The* as commenting: "It be to nobody's advan- o drop the alliance as chronism. Who knows he world may change make the alliance as nt as it was in the "

was to be proved right than he perhaps nt. Less than a year Dr Caetano's regime verthrown by the re- on of April 25, 1974. Labour Party had by returned to power in , and was delighted its friend Dr Soares ted Foreign Minister new provisional gov- nt. Since then the Bri- Government has taken ares as its guiding light through the swirling mists tioning the constitutional of Portuguese politics, as propriety of the President's the one man who could be action, and allowing his relied on to resist all party to question even the attempts to reimpose dicta- President's democratic in- torship, whether from right tentions. or left.

It was with great relief that the British Government saw Dr Soares at last installed as Prime Minister of Portugal's first constitutional government in July, 1976.

Since then, the British Government has also given warm support to Portugal's application for membership of the European Economic Community, announced by Dr Soares in March last year. The visit from President Eanes is thus intended to give formal expression to the renewal of an alliance which has indeed become more relevant and more wholehearted now that it is an alliance between two democracies.

To a Labour government especially, it offers the opportunity to show that the Labour Party's attitude in 1973 was not directed against Portugal as such but only against the dictatorship and the oppression of African peoples, which Portugal has now happily put behind it. To show that the new relationship is on a higher (or a deeper) level than the old one, the Portuguese suggested that this should be a state visit rather than a mere official one.

The British Government readily acceded to the request, but this had the effect of delaying the visit, since state visits require much more preparation. An unexpected and undesired consequence is that Dr Soares is no longer Prime Minister. British ministers find themselves playing host to a president who not only appointed Dr Soares but also dismissed him from office.

This occurred in July, when Dr Soares had refused to submit the resignation of his coalition Government after the departure of its Conservative members. He reacted very sharply, questhis naturally caused among Dr Soares's friends abroad, who until then had been ready to brush aside suggestions that General Eanes was nothing more than a military disciplinarian at heart. In London, some ministers privately drew a parallel with the dismissal of Australia's Labour Prime Minister, Mr Gough Whitlam, by the Governor-General whom he had himself nominated, Sir John Kerr.

Happily the acrimony of that crisis has now had time to subside. After a bitter clash in September, when the Socialists led a parliamentary revolt against the Prime Minister chosen by the President, Senhor Nobre da Costa, both sides have adopted a more conciliatory tone.

President Eanes has now named another Prime Minister, Dr Carlos Mota Pinto, and this time he was careful to consult the parties, especially the Socialist Party, not merely on their general views but on the specific candidate they had in mind.

British ministers can, therefore, now welcome President Eanes without feeling that they are stabbing their old friend Mario in the back or encouraging another budding right-wing dictator. On the other hand they are now less likely to feel that a visit from the President is essentially a ceremonial occasion.

Of course, President Eanes has never been a purely ceremonial figure. He was chosen as President after his success in defeating the attempted left-wing insurrection of November 25, 1975 and then purging the Armed Forces of leftist trouble-makers. He appeared the man best qualified to protect democracy by keeping the Armed Forces under firm political control. But while doing that he did, for the first two years of his presidency, seem content to leave politics to the political parties. By last July, however, he seems to have come to the conclusion that the parties are not capable of running the country on their own, and that he himself would have to take a more active role. For the time being, at least, he has become the dominant figure in the regime. He is not, as some leftists have tried to paint him, a potential Pinochet. But he does now look a bit more like a potential de Gaulle.

Whether Portugal will eventually emerge as a French-style presidential democracy or as an Austrian-style parliamentary one (both countries have directly elected presidents as well as governments responsible to parliament) is as yet unclear. To most Portuguese the question is much less important than whether any government, whatever its constitutional form, can get them out of their present economic crisis.

On this front 1977 has brought some hopeful signs. Both the former Socialist Finance Minister, Dr Vitor Constancio (now Governor of the Bank of Portugal and coordinator of Portugal's approach to the EEC), and his successor, Dr Jose da Silva Lopes, who exchanged jobs with him in August, have firmly applied the policies prescribed by the International Monetary Fund, with the result that the country is actually ahead of schedule in reducing its current account balance-of-payments deficit.

The Nobre da Costa Government has also pushed ahead with putting into effect last year's law on restitution of collectivized land to private ownership—Portugal's most sensitive political issue and the one on which Dr Soares's last government fell apart. But dispossessed British farmers remain uncompensated.

Portugal is not, and will not be for some time, a country with money to spend. It is already a good customer for Britain (imports from Britain totalled £299m in 1977, against exports to Britain of £230m). It would dearly like to export more textiles to Britain if only Mr Dell would let them in. Above all, it is a new democracy, struggling to absorb 600,000 refugees from Africa (in a total population of 9,500,000) and to adjust its economic and legal structure to the requirements of the European Community. It is entitled, in short, to British sympathy, and to any help that Britain can give.



Michael Abrahams

Portrait of an honest man

by Jose Shercliff

This portrait is of a slight man of medium height, with cleancut features and a clear mind. He is handsome in a severe way and he rarely smiles. The overall impression is one of decisiveness and of integrity. You would not wish to be dishonest with this man; something warns you that he will always be honest with you.

This is a soldier who is being forced to learn politics, who at the age of 41 took on his shoulders the burden of a revolutionary country's problems.

General António dos Santos Ramalho Eanes is not only the President of Portugal, he is Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces and President of the Revolutionary Council as well. Since he took office on July 14, 1976, President Eanes has had to shuffle military commands radically, rebuild the military image, restore confidence after the attempted left-wing coup of November 1975, and win the confidence of the public.

He has had to appoint four successive prime ministers and is seeking a fifth, as the political scene grows more stormy. He has been subjected to pressures to which he has not yielded. He has been, and still is, subject to the violent criticism and attack from politicians, but does not allow himself to be deviated from what he considers to be right.

He has to contend with a generation of newly-fledged party politicians who frequently behave like schoolboys, and with a generation of schoolboys who spend much of their time playing party politics. Dedicated to his country himself he must try to persuade the politicians to place Portugal before party.

António Eanes was born 43 years ago in the village of Ascains in central Portugal. His father was a local builder who began life as a roadman. His mother, who still lives in the family home in Castelo Branco near by says modestly of her son that he was "like any other child". He was a good scholar and became a brilliant pupil of the Castelo Branco Military Academy.

He rose steadily in his career, attaining the rank of lieutenant-colonel in 1974, after five missions overseas in Mozambique, Guinea and Angola during the colonial war, and also in former Portuguese India and Macao. He was wounded on service, and four times decorated.

He always proved popular with those under him and won their respect. On one occasion during the Salazar Trophy military race one of his men collapsed. Eanes, who was taking part, picked him up, put him over his shoulder and won the race. When the man came to he found his officer sitting at his hospital bedside. Eanes smiled at him and said: "We won."

He proved to be no stereotyped military man, alongside his military studies he had taken courses in law and applied psychology, which opened other worlds to him. He read history, and took a military physical instructor's course. In 1967 he led a movement of army captains who claimed improvements to their conditions. In 1973 and 1974 he was involved with the captains who brought about the April 25 revolution of 1974, although he was on service in Angola when it took place.

Later he was selected for various staff posts and was appointed president of the board and programmes director of the state-controlled television network. He also played an important organizational role when a group of officers under Major Melo Antunes, known as the "group of nine", took a stand against the pro-communist Prime Minister, General Vasco Gonçalves. After the attempted left-wing coup of November 25, 1975, he was appointed chief of army staff.

President Eanes is hard-working, and makes the same demands of his staff as he does of himself. Every day he is in his office in Belém Palace, which is also his official residence, at 9.30 am. He begins the day with a routine meeting of his staff, hearing the various experts' reports and listening to their views. He is a good listener and has an excellent memory.

Once a week he presides over a meeting of the Council of the Revolution, an advisory body of seasoned military men. He sees the Prime Minister at least once a week to run over with him the all too many problems the country faces. Once a week he attends a meeting of the general staff. Then there is a constant round of official business such as investing officials, receiving foreign visitors, attending official functions. When there is a political crisis his time is even more fully occupied.

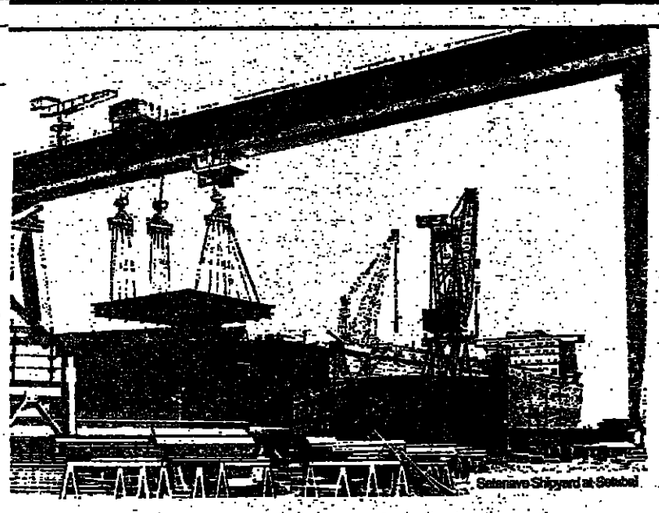
He stood for the presidency in the 1976 elections and waged a somewhat dry and humourless campaign, yet displaying great sang-froid when shots were fired from close range. He won with 60 per cent of the votes.

The public still complains that he has little popular appeal and that his speeches are delivered stiffly and unsmilingly. However, that they are always greatly to the point has won him great respect, even though his criticisms are not relished in political circles.

President Eanes is as frugal with state money as he is in private life. He imposes himself by austerity rather than by ostentation. He is no demagogue.

In his scant spare time, President Eanes likes to enjoy his family life. He and his wife, Dona Maria Manuela Eanes, have two small sons, one of them born since he became president. With his wife he often attends regional fairs and festivals, mingling with the people and learning their needs and problems. He takes pleasure in music, in good films and attends occasional gatherings of old military comrades.

It might be said of the Portuguese President what the poet John Milton said of Oliver Cromwell: "He first acquired the government of himself, and over himself acquired the most signal victories, so that on the first day he took the field against the external enemy, he was a veteran in arms, consummately practised in the toils and exigencies of war."



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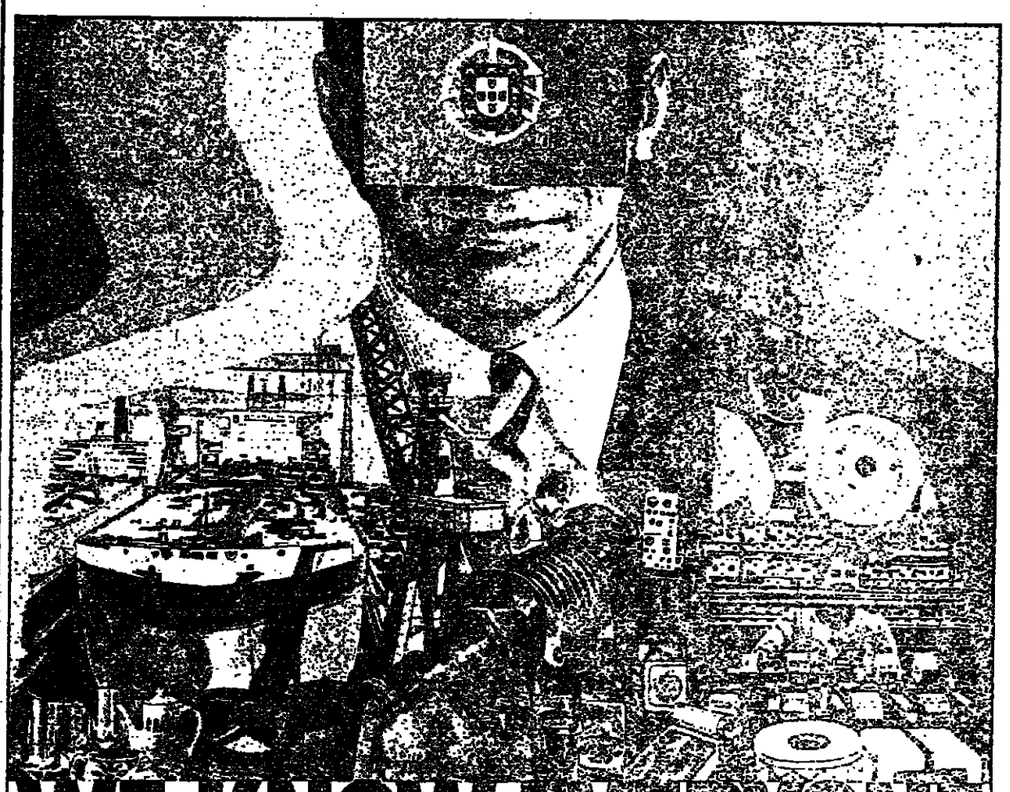
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Wife with welfare at heart

by Jose Shercliff

Shoppers in the Belém suburb of Lisbon are used to seeing a handsome, smiling young woman doing her early morning round of the market stalls, basket on arm. They treat her with deference, although her behaviour and appearance are those of any other shopper. They know who she is, of course, Dona Maria Manuela Ramalho Eanes, the wife of the President of the Republic, but she makes no issue of that. For the moment she is a normal Lisbon housewife shopping for her family.

Dark sparkling eyes, a cheerful smile, warmth and an outstanding personality are the immediate characteristics which strike one on meeting Dona Manuela. Behind the liveliness, however, there is a deep seriousness of purpose.

She was born in Almada on the south bank of the river Tagus, opposite Lisbon. Her father was a government official. She went to one of Lisbon's best girls' schools, and later took her law degree at Lisbon University. From an early age she was interested in social problems: one of her great desires is to see the headquarters of the Salvation Army in London, for she recently opened its branch in Lisbon.

In her university days she did welfare work with the Catholic Action group and became head of the faculty's branch of the Conference of St Vincent de Paul. After leaving college she worked in the welfare services of the Ministry of Education and other organizations, specializing in kindergarten problems, crèches and the care of the aged.

Having done much to organize these services, she became assistant director of the department. Now she takes an interest in Belém social problems, those of the refugees from Africa, the improvement and humanization of hospitals, as well as the problems of childhood and old age. She is an active member of her local householders' committee, which deals with the problems of the immediate area.

Dona Manuela, as she is called in Belém, married Captain Eanes, as he was then, in October, 1970, while he was on active service in Guinea. Now they have two small sons, Manuel aged six, and Miguel, who was born a year ago, the first child of a Portuguese president to be born while his father was in office.

It was a wrench for Dona Manuela to give up her pleasant home in the old quarter of Lisbon and move to Belém Palace, the other side of the city. Now she is busy adapting the palace to family needs.

The heads of most other countries live in more formidably grandiose buildings than Lisbon's Belém Palace. It is a rambling, pink-washed building whose terraces overlook a noisy thoroughfare. The public salons are furnished with shabby elegance, the ceilings richly painted, the paintings of former presidents looming from the walls of the "Portrait Salon".

Things are changing in the residential wing of the palace, however. There is the smell of paint where the walls have been freshened up. Within the limits of Portugal's present austerity Dona Manuela is imposing some of her own taste on the rooms. New curtains have been ordered, not all of them yet arrived, and part of the wing has been adapted as a nursery, for there has been no need of a nursery there in recent years.

"I am trying to make the place a home", she says, confessing that she and her husband play nostalgic visits to their own house from time to time. They had planned to go on living there, but the cross-Lisbon drive to his palace-office in rush hour wasted too much of President Eanes's time.

There was also a question of security and of the crowds of petitioners beseiging the house to confront the President with their problems. "My husband simply cannot say no to anyone in trouble", Dona Manuela says.

The palace has some compensations, however. Young Manuel has found a host of friends among the children of the presidential staff who live on the estate and is able to lead a healthy and happy life.

Dona Manuela spends as much time as she can with her children, but she, too, has many official duties. Even before her husband became President she was always at his side during his campaigns.

She has her burden of other people's problems submitted to her in a bulging mailbag. She supervises the menus of the frequent working lunches and dinners which are part of the President's regular routine.

He has too little relaxation, and she worries about the strain he is under as political crisis follows political crisis. She must help in the entertainment of foreign dignitaries, entertain the wives of the diplomatic corps to tea, when she tries to give them some cultural entertainments, and accompany the President on his trips into the countryside. A country fair or celebration is often made the excuse for a visit to find out the needs of the people.

The President and his wife are both simple people, interested in serious things. Dona Manuela does not like to think of herself as a "first lady". Rather, she says: "I like to think of myself as a normal Portuguese woman who at the moment has a special mission".

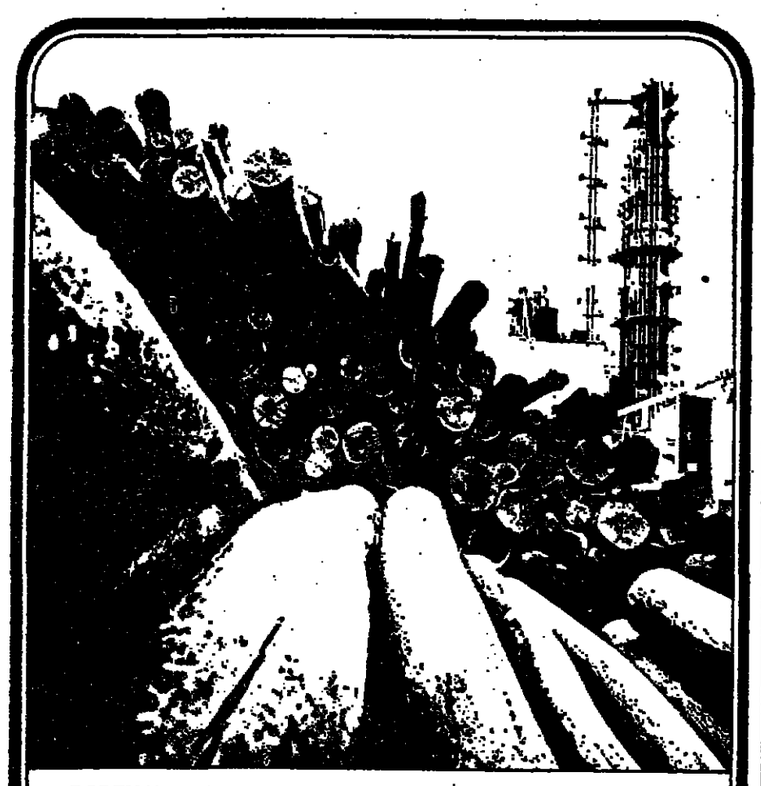
For their all-too-rare relaxation there is a variety of cultural activities: music of which they are both devotees, good films, real Portuguese folklore, and, of course, their children.

She takes the same attitude to her official trips accompanying the President abroad, wearing only Portuguese clothes, and not always new ones. The President and Dona Manuela set the example of austerity to the country which its economic condition imposes.

Position has not spoilt the presidential pair. Dona Manuela regards the present as a vital and interesting experience, but not a permanent one. There is a certain nostalgia when she speaks of pre-presidential days.



General António Eanes and his wife, Dona Maria Manuela, at a presidential campaign rally in Setubal in 1976.



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Grasping the wind of political change

To attempt to describe the Portuguese political party situation today is like trying to grasp the wind.

Four and a half years after the bloodless revolution of 1974 that toppled the old one-party regime there is still little political cohesion. In that period Portugal has had six provisional governments and is now under its fourth constitutional one. President António Spínola had appointed a sturdy old republican liberal lawyer, Dr Adelino Palma Carlos, as prime minister of the first provisional government; he resigned after a few weeks because he was not granted full powers.

After this government came four successive ones under General Vasco Gonçalves, who was accused of being a secret communist. What is certain is that his era opened the door to mass communist infiltration of labour organizations, both industrial and rural, and the unsuccessful coups of September 28, 1974 (which put Spínola out of power) and of November 25, 1975, a turning-point in post-revolutionary history.

The sixth provisional government, under Admiral José Pinheiro de Azevedo, bridged the gap until the first constitutional government followed the general elections of 1976. The same year President Ramalho Eanes became the first freely elected president of the Republic in nearly 50 years. His predecessors, General Spínola and General Costa Gomes, had been chosen by the existing Junta of National Salvation.

In 1975 the election of a parliament to draw up a democratic constitution brought the Socialist Party to the fore with a 38.1 per cent majority of the poll, although this did not give them a parliamentary majority. Once the constitution was in force new elections took place in 1976, endowing the country with its first constitutional democratic post-revolutionary parliament, the Assembly of the Republic.

Of the 12 legitimate parties that went to the polls only five managed to gain representation in the Assembly. These were the Socialists (PS) with 106 deputies, of whom several have since defected; the Social Democrats (PSD) with 71 deputies; the Christian Democrats or Centrists (CDS) with 41; the Communists (PCP) 40, and the Popular Democratic Union (UDP) with only one. Of the rest of the parties a few remain, some have fused and some have disappeared.

Prominent among existing minor parties is the newly formed Partido da Direita Português (Portuguese Right-wing Party, PDP) under the former wartime commander in Mozambique, General Kaulza de Arriaga, the Partido da Democracia Cristã (PCD) and the União de Esquerda Socialista e Democratia (UESD). These and others will be sharpening their claws to fight the next elections.

The first two constitutional governments were under the premiership of Dr Mario Soares, the Socialist Party leader. Now was the time for all good men to come to the aid of consolidating the most-voted-for party in the country, and to try to mitigate the uneasy fact that it still did not have a majority in Parliament.

The Government fell on a vote of confidence in December, 1977. President Eanes again called on Dr Soares to form a government. This he did, including in it three ministers from the centrist CDS party, in accordance with a pact between the two parties. The CDS however renounced its collaboration last July, largely over the issue of what it considered to be a favouring of the Communists in the land reform sector. This opened the way to Portugal's three-month government crisis.

At first President Eanes tried to patch up differences between the political parties and get them to work together for the good of the country. When this failed he appointed a non-party business executive, Senhor Alfredo Nobre da Costa, to form a Cabinet of independent experts. This was a bitter shock to the Socialists, and particularly to Dr Soares (who had fought so long and so hard to imprint democracy on Portugal. The parties continued to wrangle among themselves, each blaming the other for the crisis.

Roughly they stand as follows: the Socialists and Centrists continue to be at loggerheads, and there seems little chance of their making up their differences. The Socialists are afraid of entering into any pact with the Communists, who are ardently wooing them, but they are willing to parley with them.

A PS/PCP alliance would lose the Socialists votes, and their long period of government without solving the country's economic problems has disappointed the electorate. There has for a long time existed hostility between the Socialists and the Social Democrats, although the Socialists would like to improve relations. Such an alliance would ensure for them a parliamentary majority.

The PSD, who like the CDS will not parley with the communists, or take any part in a government with them, insist upon a government of national salvation, and would like the date of the scheduled 1980 elections advanced.

The Communists recently sent out invitations to talks to all the other parties. The PSD and CDS refused. The UDP is hostile to the Communist Party as it is to all other parties, and does not wish to be allied with them.

In reality the Communists are desperately angling to come to terms with the Socialists. Nevertheless, both the PCP and the CDS have given their militants permission to join a government, under an independent prime minister, which may incorporate party members. Both, however, condition their permission. President Eanes's hopes of a united front have failed.

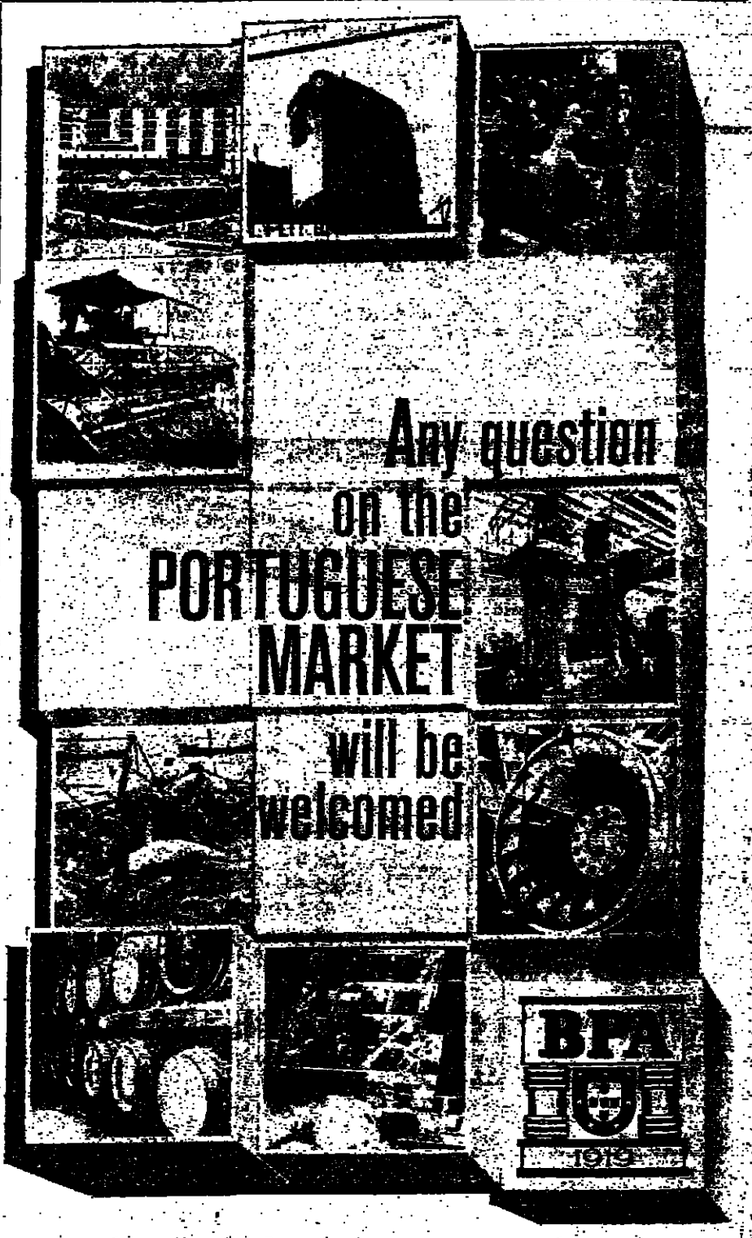
Among the President's prerogatives is that of dissolving Parliament and calling new elections. He is reluctant to do this for obvious reasons. A recently passed law provides that a full new census would have to be taken first. The machinery to implement this, however, would be costly and take time to mount.

A proper census must include not only the hundreds of thousands of refugees from former Portuguese Africa, but one and a half million Portuguese workers abroad, and a whole new generation of young people who have reached the age of 18 since the last census. Such an expensive and cumbersome operation is undesirable both economically and socially in Portugal's state of debilitated economy and social confusion.

Again, the electorate is tired of elections. Unused to free elections for nearly 50 years they have taken part in two parliamentary and one presidential election within the past four-and-a-half years, as well as local administrative ones. Their choice of parliamentary representatives and the ensuing two Socialist governments failed to solve the country's harassing economic problems. People are tired of voting to no effect.

Portugal is learning democracy the hard way, at a time of world confusion and change; but it must learn quickly if the country it to be saved from utter social and economic disaster. President Eanes needs the loyalty and aid of the political parties in leading the country along the democratic path.

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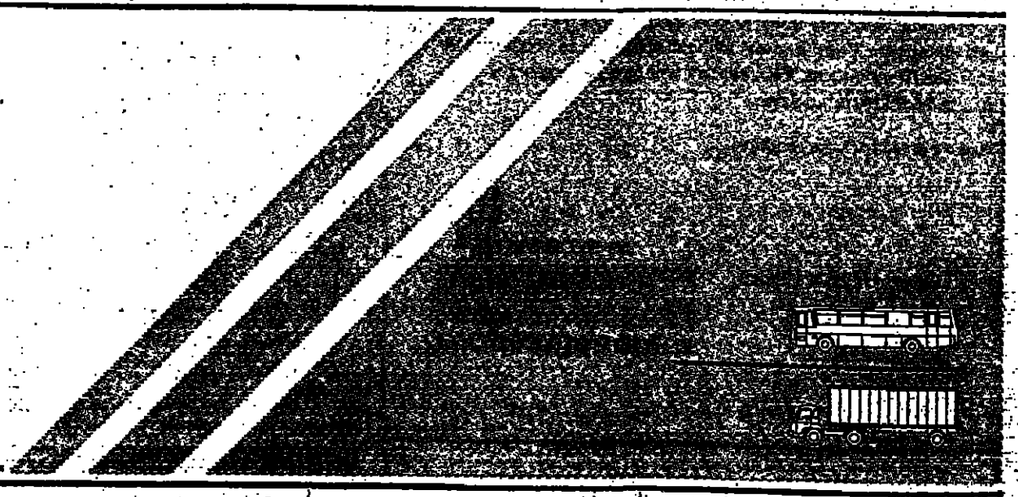
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Military aspirations still viewed with caution



Members of the Armed Forces Movement meet with slumdwellers in Lisbon in May, 1975. Slowly, the soldiers were taken off the streets and sent back to their barracks, and Portugal's Government started to assume a more civilian character.

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In Portugal the Communist Party had always been very active in a clandestine way during the Salazar dictatorship, and had managed to secure a foothold within the military establishment because of the demoralizing effect of Portugal's colonial wars.

However, the leftist tendency within the Army and Navy was eventually contained by moderate officers, but only just in time before the leftists would have succeeded in tightening their grip on the military organization. Slowly, the soldiers were taken off the streets and sent back to their barracks, and Portugal's provisional and then constitutional governments started to assume a more civilian character.

Today, the role that the military played in ending the dictatorship is given formal recognition through the existence of the Revolutionary Council of the Armed Forces. This acts as a kind of watchdog over the constitution and controls all promotions above the rank of colonel. However, it is widely recognized now as being undemocratic, and made superfluous by the fact that President Eanes is head of the Army as well as President.

Moreover, the office of president is likely to remain a quasi-military one for some time. So the proposed revision of the constitution in 1980 is likely either to abolish the Revolutionary Council or reduce its status to a rubber stamp.

None the less, the Armed Forces are not yet fully weaned of the political drug which addicted many of their numbers three or four years ago. The political orientation, however, is now decidedly to the right and there is an almost open aversion to the idea of a Socialist-Communist coalition. Such an occurrence would probably provoke a new military intervention.

The task started by General Eanes in 1976 has been to recondition the Armed Forces in a new strictly Nato role, shorn of preoccupations both with Africa and domestic politics. There have been some difficulties. For a start, in order to avoid a new bout of recrimination for acts of revolutionary or counter-revolutionary fervour, politically active officers have been kept in limbo.

More than 800 former right-wing and left-wing activists are kept in rustication on full pay. If they do anything political or try to find another part-time occupation they will lose their military pensions.

Shorn of these officers the Army has had to try to rebuild an esprit de corps at the lowest level. Politically minded ncos have been weeded out and elementary standards of discipline and military skills have been reintroduced. It has been difficult, however, to give any great substance to the idea of a Russian threat to Portugal.

Politicians explain that Portugal's membership of Nato must be substantiated in order to win a full place in the institutions of Western Europe. It is seen, therefore, as a necessary qualification to the application to join the EEC. However, military commanders make it clear that the first priority of Portugal's defence is to protect the country against internal subversion and that Nato is only of secondary importance as part of the country's need to identify itself with Western Europe.

Consequently, there is no obvious external threat with which to activate officers and men, or to underwrite a consistent training programme. Because Nato is the obvious technical priority, a Nato army brigade has been formed; equipment has been sought from Britain, and the Americans have provided C130 aircraft as troop transports. However, a Portuguese request for four British-built frigates, with favourable long-term loan arrangements, has not been well received in London, although naval operations would have a much more obvious Nato connotation than anything else.

Unfortunately for Portugal, however, the convulsions of 1974-75 are still remembered in Nato circles, and its military aspirations are consequently regarded with caution. The Nato assessment is that the Armed Forces, although keen to expiate the memory of that revolutionary aberration, cannot yet be considered totally intact.

Refugees helped in tackling 'Africa scuttle' crisis

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was initiated until December, 1975, though 10 planeloads of refugees from Africa had been arriving every day during the summer.

The arrivals created a charged and volatile situation. Feelings ran high not only among the refugees but with the host community as well. The refugees arrived in despair. They had lost everything and harboured deep resentment against the Portuguese in metropolitan Portugal who they felt had betrayed them in Africa.

There were resentments, too, on the other side. The shifting allegiances of Portugal's revolution and the miasma of leftist propaganda at that time from Lisbon meant that the refugees were portrayed as paradigms of white exploiters of blacks.

Later, in 1976, this feeling of distaste changed to one of pity; later again to jealousy, when the refugees managed, through hard work, to show that the only people they exploited were themselves.

They had been living in large African spaces, with weak social structures and few reliable services. They had been used to overcoming their own difficulties. Now they found themselves suddenly pitched into an overcrowded small country, densely thicketed with restrictions on behaviour and enterprise.

Throughout 1976 Portugal grappled with these confusions. A reasonably accurate census revealed that the total number of refugees had risen to 458,000, averaging four to a family. A special institute for resettlement led by a Commissioner was set up. He devised a four-year programme, covering every aspect of resettlement.

The 150,000 school-children were integrated immediately into Portugal's existing educational system. This caused enormous overcrowding in the schools, but the presence of many teachers among the refugees helped to alleviate shortages in staff.

In 1976 the number of active refugees receiving unemployment pay was 110,000. Two years later that figure had dropped to 42,000, despite the growing economic difficulties in Portugal's labour market.

Between January, 1977, and June, 1978, the refugees formed nearly 7,000 new private enterprises of their own, creating employment for 49,000 of them. The enterprises spanned almost the entire range of small businesses, in agriculture, fishing, extractive industries, building, transport and tourism.

The Government, through its Resettlement Institute, kept close control of the geographical distribution of refugees, so that no area of Portugal would find itself completely overwhelmed, but that every part would shoulder some of the burden.

The highest proportion of refugees to population was in Braganza (11.2 per cent) and the lowest was in the Azores (1.4 per cent). However, the majority (82 per cent) settled in that part of Portugal north of the Tagus.

At the start the Portuguese authorities were concerned that the 40,000 blacks and mixed races among the refugees might find it hardest to integrate into metropolitan Portugal. This difficulty has been partly alleviated this year by the resumption of relations between Portugal and its former African colonies.

After the Guinea-Bissau meeting in June between President Eanes and President Neto of Angola, thousands of Angolan refugees indicated their wish to return to Africa. Lists were compiled, and it appeared that at least 3,000 were ready to go. The same reemigration seems to be happening on a smaller scale with refugees from Mozambique.

How did Portugal avoid bankruptcy in its attempts to absorb so many refugees in such a destitute state—particularly when the country was struggling with its own economic crisis?

For the four-year plan 1976-79 the central Government put up 26,000m escudos, an amount which was nearly matched by a consortium of Portuguese bankers. There were also some external loans from charities such as the Red Cross. The United States Government made a gift, the Council of Europe provided a loan, and ready-made houses were sent from Norway, Holland, Belgium and Sweden. Food came from the FAO, the EEC, the Soviet Union and Britain.

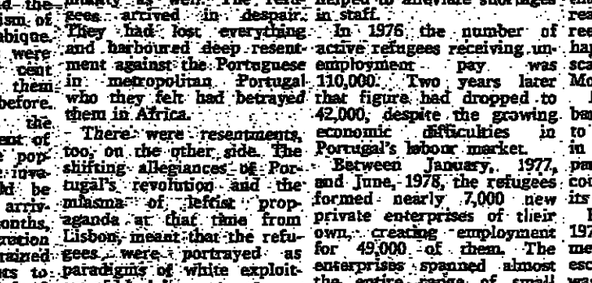
The housing shortage has been conquered, though not eliminated. Whereas in December 1976 there were 75,000 refugees still in lodgings, this figure has been reduced to less than 14,000. All dimensions of the programme have now been so reduced from the difficult early days, that the Institute for the Aid and Resettlement of Nationals (IARN) is seriously considering whether or not to dismantle its organization at the end of next year.

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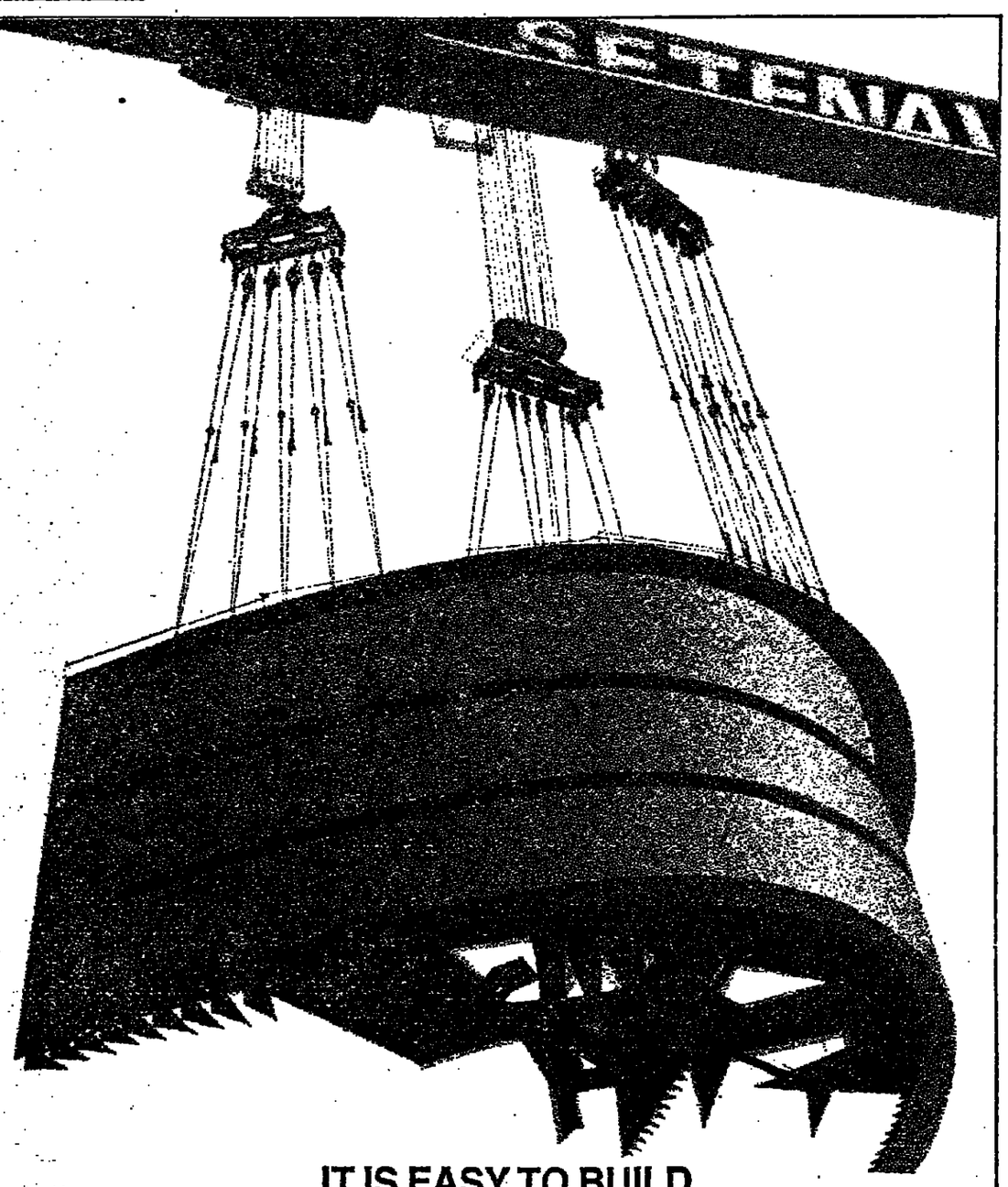
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Business as usual at a Lisbon bank (left). Recently the Banco de Portugal said the country was complying with IMF targets and that no new austerity measures were required. The shipbuilding industry (right) remains a potent force in the economy.

EEC membership is first priority

by Michael Wooller

The appointment last month of Professor Carlos Alberto Mota Pinto as Prime Minister by President Eanes with the support of the Socialist (PSP) and Centre Democrat (CDS) parties should ensure a parliamentary majority for Portugal's fourth constitutional government. During the second government both parties supported the country's entry to the EEC and the May agreement with the International Monetary Fund. However, cooperation between the two, already fragile, broke down over the return of illegally expropriated land to its former owners; the CDS withdrew its support and the government fell.

The agrarian reform issue is a dominating theme in contemporary Portugal. Since 1976, for policy purposes, the country has been treated as two parts. In the north, where political opposition to reform was strongest the mainly small land holdings were not seized. To the south of the Tagus, 450 cooperatives were established on largely unfarmed estates, owned by absentee landlords. Yet the agrarian reform programme was not completed; the 1974 oil crisis cut the funds and technical support necessary to make the cooperatives viable.

Agriculture remains in a parlous state. While a third of the labour force is employed in the sector, Portugal produces less than half its food requirements. Agricultural production has declined markedly: this year cereal crops will be on average a third less than over the past 10 years.

Falls in food and animal fodder crops have had to be compensated for by imports, forcing the trade balance heavily into the red. Up to the 1970s, although there was generally a small trade deficit, remittances from the former African colonies and from tourism and emigrants allowed the country to build gold reserves of 840 tons. The effect of the Opec price increases combined with the post-revolutionary rises in consumption threw the process into reverse; the trade deficit surged, while the growth of remittances slowed. The gold reserves were mobilized to close the gap and by July, 1977, just under half were pledged while the foreign debt soared to 9 per cent of gdp or $4,400m at the end of 1977.

International aid was slow to react. Well-meaning advice has not been wanting, but hard cash was more difficult to come by, giving the impression that the new Portuguese democracy was being shabbily treated by the richer nations. Finally, an OECD loan of $750m was arranged in 1977 by 10 countries to help to finance the balance of payments deficit. However, the loan was made subject to Portugal reaching agreement with the IMF on the second tranche of a stand-by loan.

Two changes of government and the political costs of the IMF-recommended policies complicated negotiations, but in May, 1978, a letter of intent was signed. The escudo was devalued by 6.5 per cent with up to 1.5 per cent monthly depreciation projected; direct and indirect taxes were raised, as were public service charges and interest rates, to cut down overspending, inflation and speculation. Stringent targets for the balance of payments deficit, money supply, imports and growth in bank credits were established simultaneously.

Recently the Banco de Portugal stated that the country was complying with the IMF targets and that no further austerity measures were required at present. The first half of the year saw a reversal of trends when exports rose faster than imports. The current account deficit totalled $800m or a 7 per cent increase over comparable 1977 figures; investment and loans increased 24 per cent to a surplus of $643m offset by increases in the deficits on the trade and services accounts respectively of 9 per cent and 17 per cent to $1,314m and $129m. In the third quarter of 1978 the IMF target is a current account deficit of $170m compared with $118m achieved in the second quarter.

To offset its external deficit, Portugal is remaining an active borrower on international markets. Recent agreements include $200m from European banks and $300m from the United States, while the Portuguese airline, TAP, has raised $30m and the Banco de Fomento (the National Development Bank) $75m. The World Bank is lending $70m to finance a series of private-sector farming projects in the Alentejo, while the European Investment Bank has granted loans totalling 50m European units of account for cement and petrochemical projects.

Membership of the EEC is a first priority. Besides providing an expanding market for exports, it is felt that the Community with its programmes for regional and industrial development could provide the stimulus and finance for much needed changes in the agricultural and industrial sectors. But the fact remains that many structural deficiencies will have to be overcome before Portugal can fully benefit from membership. On October 17 the EEC Council formally opened accession negotiations, which could be completed within two and a half years. After that Portugal would be allowed a maximum transition period of 10 years to adapt its laws, institutions and tariffs to EEC practice. At present relations are covered by a 1972 agreement on trade in industrial goods and the export to the EEC by Portugal of agricultural products.

Official policy at present is to slow down domestic growth rates to help to alleviate pressure on the balance of payments; growth is projected at 3 per cent this year compared with 6.5 per cent in 1977. The lower rates will help to reduce the economy's propensity to import but the relative market inelasticities for Portuguese exports, together with the slow growth of international trade, make the prospects somewhat sombre.

The role of the smaller firms in the private sector, especially in promoting exports, has now been recognized; in August a law provided for the removal of the manufacturing of synthetic resins, plastic materials and elastomers from the list of basic industries prohibited to private-sector companies since 1974.

During the first half of the year, industry was reported to have been operating at its 1977 levels, with about 11 weeks of production on its order books. However, stocks were rising steadily over the period, a bad indicator for the future, in just under a third of companies.

More than 60 per cent of these companies said they could not increase production because of financial, raw materials and equipment difficulties. In the wholesale sector 70 per cent of companies thought demand normal with sales of minerals, industrial chemicals, hardware and electrical goods rising over first quarter figures, but those of furniture, building materials, textiles, shoes, cars and farming machinery, industry and commerce falling.

Tourism, however, is providing a bright spot in an otherwise bleak picture. The sector, after nearly doubling its earnings in 1977, admittedly against depressed 1976 levels, rose by almost a third again in the first half of 1978. The devaluation of the escudo has attracted many who used to go to traditionally cheaper countries and a large-scale international advertising campaign seems to have paid dividends. The Government is also investigating low-cost tourism projects.

The May austerity measures have drastically restricted consumer credit, while the 24 per cent increase in inflation in the 12 months which ended last September has cut the purchasing power of wages to 1973 levels. Labour discontent has been sharpened by three years of wage restraint, soaring transport and fuel prices, with food shortages. Strikes involving the airlines and chemical and construction industries have already taken place this year, while disputes are threatened in the steel, textile and vehicle sectors. The most serious strike was that of the largely state-run shipping line, which disrupted trade and cut off vital supplies to the Atlantic islands.

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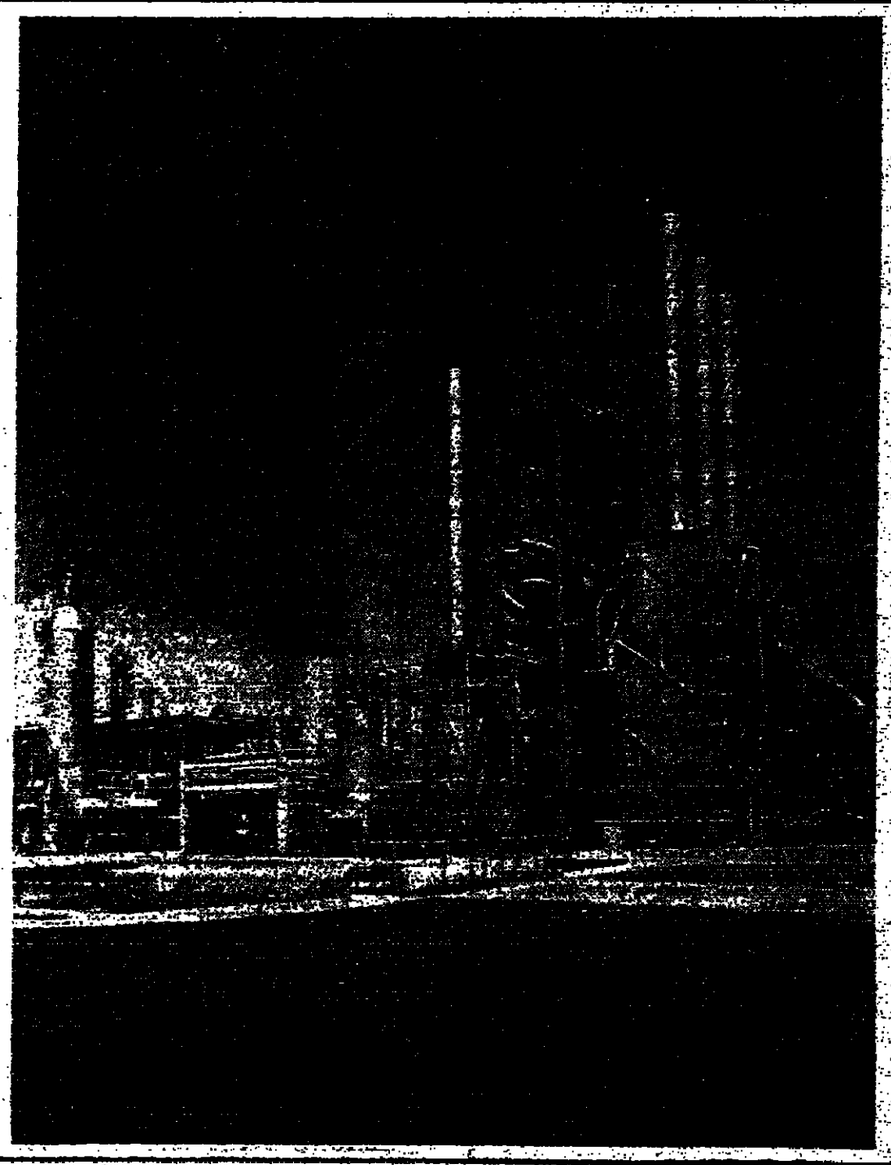
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Broadcasting Guide

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PERSONAL CHOICE



Del Henney and Wanda Ventham star in Fallen Hero

● Donal and Sally, this week's Play for Today (BBC 1, 9.25) probes gingerly a complex area of human relationships where precedent is not to be trusted and blame and credit cannot be apportioned. If the mood in which James Duthie's play leaves us is one of confusion and vague dissatisfaction, this is probably the most that the author can expect from us. It is the story of two teenagers, a boy and girl, at a day centre for the mentally handicapped. It seems that a relationship is building up between them that could eventually take a physical turn. Most of the staff over-react; the girl's parents most certainly do. The question the play poses, though it does not beat drums or wave banners, is: what do you do about the sexual instincts of the mentally handicapped? Mr Duthie has, I think, written a documentary more than a play. But, on television these days, it is becoming increasingly difficult to tell the two apart.

● I have only just caught up with Empire Road (BBC2, 6.50), the five-part series about a West Indian and Asian community in Birmingham. I assume that tonight's episode is typical. It has an Indian girl in love with a West Indian boy against her father's wishes, and it also has a lazy bachelor being manoeuvred into marriage by the woman who runs the local fish-and-chip shop. The colour of the actors' skins and the ethnic background music are the only two features which distinguish Empire Road from any other well constructed, well written and well acted series about people living in a strictly limited area whose lives continually criss-cross.

● I do not feel qualified to dispute the BBC's claim that tonight's two-hour industrial relations debate from Birmingham Town Hall (Radio 4, 8.05) is the most spectacular political event the city has seen for half a century. Two thousand people will listen to contributions by 15 leading figures from politics, industry, the trade unions and the universities. They include—and I pick these names at random—Albert Booth, Secretary of State for Employment; James Prior, Cyril Smith, Alex Jarratt, Clive Jenkins, Sir John Methven, Lord McCarthy and Sir Adrian Cadbury. In the chair: Sir Myer Galpern, Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons.

● Some random thoughts about today's other radio programmes. Peter Hudson (Radio 4, 6.30) may well have an individual brand of humour, as Radio Times says, but he also tells some ancient and not very good jokes whose long retirement should not have been interrupted in this way. Today's Woman's Hour (Radio 4, 1.45) has a talk by John Donat about his much-admired father Robert, possessor of that most distinctive voice, who died 20 years ago.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEREO; * BLACK AND WHITE; (r) REPEAT.

TELEVISION

BBC 1

9.38 am, For Schools, colleges (until 12.30 pm): 9.38, Out of the Past (Charles Dickens, 2); 10.05, Look and Read; 10.30, Let's Go; 11.00, Watch; 11.17, Going to Work; 11.38, Taking Shape; 12.05 pm, A Job Worth Doing? (electronic engineering).

12.45, News and weather.

1.00, Pebble Mill: including the medical feature Medicine Matters.

1.45, How Do you Do?: counting games and a story.

2.00, You and Me: for younger children.

2.14, For Schools, colleges (until 3.00): 2.14, Treffpunkt: Deutschland; 2.30, English (The Government Inspector: 3).

3.20, Pobol y Cwm: serial from Wales.

3.53, Regional News.

3.55, Play School: the story is called Buttons or Bows.

4.20, Deputy Dawg: cartoon.

4.25, Jackanory: Steve Hodson reads Nina Warner Hooke's Pepita.

4.40, Screen Test: Film contest between Chipping Norton School and Bishop Stopford School, Kettering.

5.05, John Craven's Newsround: for younger viewers.

5.10, The Record Breakers: we hear "the worst singer in the world" and meet the only man with a double VC.

5.40, News with Angela Rippon.

5.55, Nationwide: The Prince of Wales switches on London's Christmas lights.

6.50, David Essex: He and Twiggy sing Send in the Clowns.

7.20, James Burke's Connections: tonight's programme in this historical detection series is called The Wheel of Fortune.

8.10, Dallas: stories of a rich Texan family. Tonight, the spoilt Lucy runs away.

9.00, News, with Angela Rippon.

9.25, Play for Today: Donal and Sally: James Duthie's play about two mentally handicapped young people who fall in love.

10.40, Tonight.

11.20, Roads to Conflict: another in this series about the Middle East dispute. Tonight: the state of Israel is born.

11.45, Weather/Regional News.

BBC 1 variations: WALES 10.00 am, Hyn o Fyd. 6.50, Heddiw. 7.10, Pobol y Cwm. 7.40, David Essex. 11.20, Dechrau Siarad. SCOTLAND: 9.38, Geography for Schools. 6.50, Tom and Jerry. 6.55, Ballad Folk. 9.25, Return to Lilybank. 10.15, Tuesday Night. 10.45, Donkey that Walked into History. 11.35, Roads to Conflict. MIDLANDS: 6.50, Action 78. EAST: 6.50, Day Out. SOUTH: 6.50, Cusden on Location.

BBC 2

10.30 am, Working for Safety: the chemical, dust and fumes threat to workers (r).

11.00, Play School: same as BBC 1, 3.55. Closedown at 11.25.

2.30 pm, The Engineers: the flesh-and-blood aspect of engineering (r).

3.00, Propaganda with Facts: the state and the cinema in the Second World War.

3.30, The Living City: sociology series about people's work attitudes (r). Closedown at 3.55.

5.00, Open University (until 5.40): Students with problems. 5.25, S101 Preparatory Maths.

5.40, Laurel and Hardy: County Hospital (1932). Stanley visits Oliver who has a broken leg.*

5.55, News: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.

6.00, In the Making: film about the potter Tessa Fuchs (r).

6.20, Digame: Spanish for beginners (r).

6.45, News and weather.

6.50, Empire Road: life among the immigrants of Birmingham. A weekly series of fictional stories.

7.20, The Birds Fall Down: part 3. Kamensky's perfidy, and the effect it has on Count Diakonov.

8.10, The Voyage of Charles Darwin: part 3. What the scientist learns from the three Indian hostages, and how Captain Fitzroy's experiment ends.

9.10, Wodehouse Playhouse: John Alderton as the man who cannot play golf but thinks of himself as an expert.

9.40, Man Alive: With oil pollution accidents becoming more frequent, the programme asks: when the really big black tide comes in are we ready to meet it?

10.30, Floodlit Rugby League: The third quarter-final of the BBC 2 competition. Huddersfield play Wigan.

11.15, News and weather.

11.25, The Old Grey Whistle Test: the entertainers are David Johansen and Buzzcocks.

12.05 am, Closedown: Ronald Pickup reads Simon Rae's poem The Tools.

THAMES

9.30 am, For Schools (until 12.00): 9.30, Seeing and Doing (rivers); 9.47, Reading with Lenny; 10.00, Believe it or not (violence); 10.18, It's More Life; 10.40, Facts for Life; 11.05, Leapfrog (maths); 11.22, Look Around (food); 11.39, The Land (Snowdonia).

12.00, Chorlton and the Wheelies: Children's story.

12.10, Rainbow; for children. The theme is: Smoothness.

12.30, Treasures in Store: the Bowes Museum at Barnard Castle.

1.00, News.

1.20, Thames News.

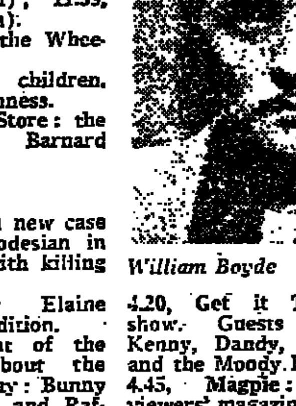
1.30, Crown Court: a new case begins. A white Rhodesian in Britain is charged with killing a black African.

2.00, After Noon: Elaine Grand presents this edition.

2.25, Raffles: repeat of the successful plays about the gentlemen thief. Today: Bunny (Christopher Strauli) and Raffles (Anthony Valentine) team up.

3.20, Heart to Heart: interview with a girl whose mother was born in care.

3.50, The Sullivans: Australian family story. Continued.



William Boyde

4.20, Get it Together: pop show. Guests are Gerard Kenny, Dandy, Mark Middler and the Moody Blues.

4.45, Magpie: the young viewers' magazine programme.

5.15, Emmerdale Farm: Sam accept Seth's challenge.

5.45, News.

6.00, Thames at Six: regional round-up.

6.25, Help! Information from Joan Shenton.

6.35, Crossroads: Strange behaviour from Mr Booth.

7.00, Botanic Man: David Bellamy, in New Zealand, talks about adaptations of plant reproductive systems, in a botanically unique environment.

7.30, Charlie's Angels: A fortune in store for the girl whose picture appears in the newspaper?

8.30, The Upchat Connection: The line-spinning Mike Upchat tries his luck with Maggie's pretty neighbour in Birmingham.

9.00, Fallen Hero: new series of plays about a professional Rugby League player who has to reshape his life when he sustains a serious injury. Del Henney plays the falling star.

10.00, News.

10.30, Travels with a Donkey: reconstruction of Robert Louis Stevenson's mountain odyssey with his four-legged friend Modestine through southern France 100 years ago.

11.30, Lou Grant: newspaper drama.

12.25 am, Close: a poem by Robert Herrick, read by Derrick Gilbert.

RADIO

Radio 4

6.00 am, News, weather, papers, sport. 6.10, Farming. 6.30, Today. 7.00, 8.00, News. 7.30, 8.30, Headlines.

8.35, Yesterday in Parliament.

9.00, News.

9.05, Tuesday Call.

10.00, News.

10.05, In Britain Now.

10.30, Service.

10.45, Story: Tonight I'll Tell Him.

11.00, News.

11.05, Play: Beach Games.

11.35, The End of the Pier? British Seaside piers.

12.00, News.

12.02 pm, You and Yours.

12.20, Desert Island Discs.

1.00, The World at One. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour.

2.45, Listen with Mother.

3.00, News.

3.10, Questions to the Prime Minister.

3.35, Vanity Fair (7).†

4.30, My Delight, Frederick Raphael.

4.35, Story: Omar (7).

5.00, PM Reports.

6.00, The Six O'Clock News.

6.30, The Peter Hudson Show.†

7.00, News.

7.05, The Archers.

7.20, The Road to El Dorado.

8.05, Where Do We Go from Here? Industrial Peace.

9.59, Weather.

10.00, The World Tonight.

10.30, The Jason Explanation of Culture.†

11.00, A Book at Bedtime. The Price of Love (2).

11.15, The Financial World.

11.30, Parliament.

12.0, News, weather.

12.20-12.23 am, Inshore Forecast.

VHF. Regional News, Weather at 6.50 am, 7.50, 12.55 pm, 5.55. Schools at 9.40 am, 10.45, 2.00 pm. Study at 11.00 pm.

Radio 3

6.55 am, Weather.

7.00, News.



Michael Crawford

7.05, Concert: Dvorak, Janacek.†

8.00, News.

8.05, Concert: J. S. Bach.†

9.00, News.

9.05, Composer: Hummel.†

9.40, Plainsong and the Rise of European Music: Tallis.†

10.35, Tuckwell Wind Quintet, part 1: Mozart.†

11.20, In Short.

11.30, Concert, part 2: Schoenberg.

12.10 pm, BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra: Mozart, Shostakovich.†

1.00, News.

1.05, The Arts Worldwide.

1.25, BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra, part 2: Mozart, Beethoven.†

2.10, Music at St George's, Bristol, by Chopin, Liszt.†

3.10, Haydn Quartet in D.†

3.35, English Songs.†

4.30, Master Cellists: Janos Starker plays Martinu, Bartok, Dohnanyi.†

5.15, Jazz Today.†

5.45, Homeward Bound.†

6.30, News.

6.35, At Home: William Mann on Saint-Saëns's opera Samson et Dalila.

7.30, BBC Symphony Orchestra, part 1: Bruckner.†

8.35, The Expressionist Classic, Georg Kaiser: talk by Martin Esslin.

9.00, BBC Symphony Orchestra, part 2: Sibelius.†

9.50, The Prelude (5): Cambridge and the Alps.

10.20, The Trio Sonata.†

11.15, Hummel.†

11.45, News.

11.50, Schubert Song.

Radio 2

News at 5.00 am, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, on hour from 8.00-2.00 am.

5.02 am, Tony Brandon.† 7.32, Terry Wogan.† 8.27, Racing Bulletin. 10.02, Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm, Waggoners' Walk. 12.30, Pete Murray's Open House.† 1.45, Sports Desk; racing. 2.30, David Hamilton.† 2.45 and 3.45, Sports Desk. 4.30, Waggoners' Walk. 4.45, Sports Desk. 4.50, John Dunn.† 5.45, Sports Desk. 6.45, Sports Desk, racing results. 7.02, On the Third Beat.† 7.30, Folk 78: Cambridge Crofters.† 8.02, Gala Night Music for the 1977 Jubilee.† 9.02, Among Your Souvenirs.† 9.55, Sports Desk. 10.02, Variety Club Cabaret. 11.02, Tennis: Benson and Hedges Tournament. 11.05, Brian Matthew: Round Midnight. 12.00, News; weather. 2.00-2.02 am, News.

Radio 1

News on the half-hour 6.30 am-11.30, 1.30 pm-4.30, 6.30, 8.30.

5.00 am, As Radio 2. 7.00, Dave Lee Travis. 9.00, Simon Bates. 11.31, Paul Burnett. 12.30 pm, Newsbeat. 2.00, Tony Blackburn: National Pop Panel. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 5.30, Newsbeat. 6.30, Personal Call. 8.00, Andy Peebles. 9.50, Newsbeat. 10.00, John Peel.† 12.00-2.02 am, As Radio 2.

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9.25 am, The Good Word. North East News. Weather. 9.30, Thames. 1.20 pm, North East News, Lookaround; Weather. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, The Brady Bunch. 5.45, News. 6.00, Northern Life. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, The Bob Newhart Show. 12.00, Epilogue. 12.05 am, Close.

Westward

9.30 am, Thames. 12.27 pm, Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 12.30, Thames. 1.20, Westward Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Westward Diary. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Treasure Hunt. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 10.28, Westward News. Weather. 10.30, Thames. 11.30, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 12.10 am, World in Action. 12.40, Faith for Life. 12.45, Close.

Southern

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News. Weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Undersea Adventures of Captain Nemo. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Day by Day. Southsport. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Thames. 11.30, Southern News Extra. 11.40, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 12.25 am, Weather. Drawing to an End. Close.

Channel

9.30 am, Thames (until 12.00). 1.18 pm, Channel News. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Report at Six. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Treasure Hunt. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 10.28, Channel News. 10.32, Travels with Donkey. 11.30, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 12.10 am, World in Action. 12.40, News in French. Close.

Ulster

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Lunchtime. 1.30, Thames. 4.18, Ulster News Headlines. 4.20, Thames. 5.15, Cartoon. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Reports. 6.35, The Mary Tyler Moore Show. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, Bedtime. 11.40, Close.

ATV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, ATV Newsdesk. 1.30, Thames. 3.20, Heart to Heart. 3.55, The Electric Theatre Show. 4.20, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Thames. 11.30, Jazz Concert: Alex Welsh and His Band. 12.00, Something Different. 12.20 am, Close.

Granada

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, This is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 5.10, What's New. 5.15, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, Emmerdale Farm. 7.00, University Challenge. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, Dan August. 12.30 am, Close.

Grampian

9.25 am, First Thing. 1.20 pm, Grampian Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Grampian Today. Weather. 6.10, Tulip Fiesta. 6.35, Thames. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, Power Without Glory. 12.25 am, Reflections. 12.30, Grampian Headlines. 12.35, Close.

Border

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Border News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Jonny Quest. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Lookaround. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Skiing with Gina. 12.00, Border News. Weather. 12.03 am, Close.

HTV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Report West Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Report West. 6.30, Botanic Man. 7.00, Those Little Words. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, Code R. 12.25 am, Weather. Close. HTV CYMRU/WALES: As HTV West except: 1.20 pm, Penawdau Newyddion y Dydd. 4.25, Report Wales Headlines. 4.20, Coplis. 6.00, Y Dydd. 6.35, Report Wales. 10.00, News. Stand Wales Headlines. 10.30, Dim Ond Heddiw. 11.00, Gwyl Corau Dani Cymru 1978, Corwen. 11.30, World in Action. 12.00, Donna Summers Disco Party. 12.30 am, Weather. Close. HTV GENERAL SERVICE: As HTV West except: 1.25 pm, Report Wales Headlines. 6.15, Report Wales.

Anglia

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Emmerdale Farm. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, The Rolf Harris Show. 7.30, Thames. 11.30, The Streets of San Francisco. 12.25 am, Chapter and Verse. Close.

Scottish

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, News. Weather. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Dodo the Space Kid. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.30, What's Your Problem? 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Thames. 11.30, Late Call. 11.35, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 12.20 am, Close.

Yorkshire

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 3.20, Calendar Tuesday. 3.50, Thames. 5.15, You're Only Young Twice. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Calendar. Weather. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, The Bob Newhart Show. 12.00, Close.

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Machines bought from Britain will make goods for export

by Michael Wooller

Britain and Portugal have been trading partners for many centuries. The relationship was already old when, in 1703, the Methuen Treaty allowed British merchants to settle in Portugal, and the Portuguese to export their wines freely to the British Isles. Friendly links between the two countries continued, and in a natural progression Portugal followed Britain into Efta.

When Britain announced in 1961 that it intended to join the EEC it was obvious to the Portuguese that, in view of the British position as Portugal's main export market and one of its main suppliers, they should not keep aloof from an enlarged European community.

The renewal of British plans for entry in 1967 led the Portuguese Government to request permission from the EEC Commission to attend the negotiations of trade agreements as a potential associate member.

The outcome of the application was the establishment of an industrial goods free trade area. The agreement differed from most third country pacts signed by the EEC in that it contained a protocol on agricultural trade, allowed Portugal's industry an extended period of tariff protection and contained a clause allowing for the extension of the agreement to areas of mutual interest at the request of either party.

In 1976 the Council of Ministers approved a request for an extension of the 1972 treaty. Two protocols were signed. The first raised export limits on such Portuguese products as wine, tomato paste and canned fish, extended benefit of the EEC social security programme to Portuguese residents in the Community and, under industrial and technological agreements, enabled Portugal to introduce tariffs to protect new or emergent industries.

The second protocol extended the EEC aid programme, granting Portugal European Investment Bank funds of up to 200m units of account (including 30m units in the form of interest payment subsidies) for high priority industrial development projects.

After discussions between Dr Soares, then the Prime Minister, and Mr Jenkins, President of the EEC Commission, Portugal decided in March, 1977, to apply for full membership of the EEC. In October this year the Commission formally accepted the application.

Protectionist measures such as import quotas, tariff surcharges and limits on the issue of import licences, are being dismantled slowly. Nevertheless, the official policy of discouraging luxury or unnecessary imports remains, backed up by severe restrictions on consumer credit. Thus, British exports of plant and equipment, not manufactured in Portugal, have the best chances in the market.

Inevitably, post-revolutionary conditions caused temporary disruptions to trade. British exports rose by 23 per cent in 1974 and fell by 15 per cent in 1975. In 1976 aided by the depreciation of sterling against the escudo, British exports to Portugal increased by a buoyant 42 per cent (corresponding imports during the period by the British fell by 1 per cent) boosted by a recovery in Portuguese industrial activity.

Britain returned a trade surplus of £24.2m in 1976, compared with a £43.5m deficit in 1975. In 1977 the surplus swelled to £69.4m even though Portugal increased its exports to Britain by 15.5 per cent during the year. Almost all categories of British exports rose in 1977, excluding oil and by-products, pharmaceuticals and cars, although exports of car components showed some increase.

Portuguese progress in the British market was less rapid. Nevertheless, exports of nine important products achieved record levels. Food, paper and pulp declined substantially.

In the first six months of 1978 British exports to Portugal fell by 0.3 per cent, partly because of the recovery of sterling, while Portuguese exports rose by 7.4 per cent compared to first-half 1977 figures. Britain returned a £19.9m. surplus, although Portuguese imports of food (down 68.6 per cent), manufactured (down 25.9 per cent), electrical (down 22.2 per cent) and miscellaneous (down 15.3 per cent) goods, were depressed. Portuguese imports of natural gas and transport equipment both showed considerable rises.

In Britain imports were affected by the low level of industrial activity in the first half of 1978, combined with difficulties in supply on the Portuguese side. However, exports of Portuguese footwear (93.2 per cent), textiles (39.9 per cent), manufactured articles (27.4 per cent), port and wine (30.1 per cent), and seafood (51.2 per cent), all managed healthy increases.

Reductions were registered by Britain in imports of food (down 42.2 per cent), fruit and vegetables (down 55 per cent), cork and wood (down 27.3 per cent), pulp and waste paper (down 30.2 per cent), ores and scrap (down 18.3 per cent), and non-metallic manufactured goods (down 21.3 per cent).

Between 1976 and 1978 consortiums of private British banks extended Export Credits Guarantee Department dealings to finance Portuguese development projects. These included $28m to the Sociedad Financeira Portuguesa to fund the purchase of capital goods from Britain, and about $65m to Compania Nacional de Petróleos de Portugal to finance oil-refinery projects at Oporto and Sines.

Britain provided $20m as its contribution to the $750m multilateral loan agreed in mid-1977. In August this year British banks helped to raise a $300m loan at one point over the London Interbank offered rate, Libor, to be used to restructure the short-term foreign debt and help to finance the 1978 balance of payments deficit.

The austerity package introduced in 1977 and culminating in the May, 1978, IMF agreement was directed at curbing the trade deficit. Devaluation of the escudo and export credits aim to stimulate overseas sales, while the surviving import controls have been used to slow purchase of foreign goods.

Since 70 per cent of Portugal's imports consist of food, semi-processed materials and capital goods necessary to produce exports, no new import restrictions seem likely.

Indeed the Government is looking to its Efta partners and to the EEC for the investment and capital required for the improvement of agriculture, the development of a range of light industry including food, metal and chemical processing, and the production of machine tools and fertilizers. Modernizing the textile and electronics sectors will need additional resources.

The Government's strategy is based on the need to broaden the spectrum of Portugal's exports; by importing the necessary equipment it is hoped to raise productivity and export competitiveness enough to help the country to break out of the hopeless balance of payments impasse in which Portugal has been involved since the early 1970s. Britain is moving into a position where it will be well placed to contribute with technology and skilled manpower to the prosperity of one of its oldest allies.

United Kingdom Imports (cif) £m.

	1973	January-December 1974	1975	1976	1977	January-June 1977	1978
Food, live animals, chiefly food	14.1	16.3	10.3	10.4	13.3	7.5	4.3
Fish, crustaceans, molluscs	3.6	2.0	2.0	1.5	2.0	1.1	1.7
Vegetables, fruit	9.8	13.7	8.1	8.7	11.2	5.7	2.6
Wine of fresh grapes, including Port	8.2	10.3	10.0	8.2	10.4	4.7	6.2
Crude materials, inedible, excluding fuels	21.7	36.3	27.0	33.9	48.4	26.9	19.7
Cork, wood	9.9	19.9	8.5	15.2	22.9	13.4	9.8
Pulp, waste paper	9.7	12.5	13.4	18.9	19.3	9.8	6.9
Metalliferous ores, metal scrap	0.6	2.4	2.5	3.1	5.0	2.9	2.3
Petroleum, petroleum products	1.0	2.5	0.7	1.0	0.3	0.2	0.1
Chemicals:	5.1	6.5	4.1	4.3	4.7	2.1	2.8
Manufactured goods	83.7	99.6	91.3	78.7	87.1	42.6	54.3
Cork, wood	6.7	9.7	7.4	8.6	11.4	5.6	7.0
Paper, board	1.3	2.9	5.8	6.2	5.9	3.2	2.1
Textile yarn, fabrics	38.7	48.8	51.2	50.3	55.7	28.6	40.0
Non-metal goods	34.7	35.2	22.8	9.3	10.5	3.4	2.6
Machinery, transport equipment	21.1	23.8	21.0	22.7	26.8	13.9	13.1
Miscellaneous manufactured goods	33.2	40.3	35.4	34.8	36.0	21.6	28.4
Clothing	29.1	34.2	27.2	28.2	31.2	18.4	22.1
Footwear	1.8	2.1	2.5	2.6	3.9	1.9	3.6
Unspecified	0.4	0.5	1.4	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.2
Total	188.6	236.2	201.1	189.1	229.9	120.1	129.1
Exports	147.5	185.6	157.6	223.3	299.3	149.4	148.9
UK trade balance	−41.1	−50.5	−43.5	+24.2	+69.4	+29.3	+19.9

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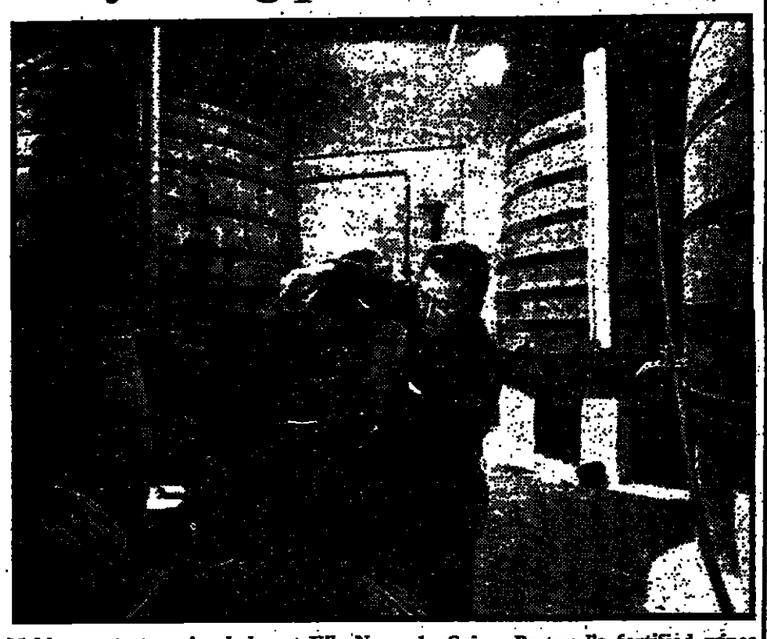
United Kingdom Exports and Reexports (fob) £m.

	1973	January-December 1974	1975	1976	1977	January-J 1977	19
Food and live animals chiefly for food	3.6	4.3	3.2	6.0	12.9	10.9	3
Vegetables, fruit	1.4	2.5	2.3	5.0	9.3	8.6	2
Beverages, tobacco	1.8	1.9	1.3	1.9	2.0	1.0	1
Crude minerals, inedible, excluding fuels	7.6	8.7	4.8	9.2	11.2	6.4	5
Textile fibres, waste	6.2	6.4	3.0	5.7	7.5	4.4	2
Coal, coke, briquettes	0.3	0.7	1.2	1.1	2.9	1.8	1
Petroleum, petroleum products	3.9	3.4	5.8	8.3	2.8	1.8	1
Gas, natural, manufactured	0.4	1.3	1.7	2.8	6.2	2.9	5
Chemicals	20.6	25.9	20.8	34.2	37.2	18.5	19
Organic chemicals	2.5	4.3	2.8	6.6	7.2	3.3	2
Dyeing tanning, colouring materials	2.7	3.6	2.3	3.9	4.5	2.6	2
Medicine pharmaceutical products	4.8	4.1	3.9	8.1	8.0	3.7	5
Artificial resins, plastic materials	6.7	8.5	7.0	8.8	8.9	4.5	3
Manufactured goods:	31.6	46.4	31.5	45.7	64.4	38.2	26
Rubber	2.2	2.4	2.9	4.4	5.3	2.7	2
Paper, board	1.4	2.0	1.7	1.6	2.6	1.4	0
Textile yarn, fabrics	11.7	18.4	11.5	17.5	18.3	10.4	8
Non-metallic goods	2.8	4.0	3.1	4.4	6.5	4.1	2
Iron, steel	3.0	4.1	3.3	3.8	12.7	6.5	5
Non-ferrous metals	7.3	10.1	5.1	9.3	12.8	7.5	4
Metal goods	3.2	5.3	4.0	4.7	6.2	3.5	2
Machinery, except electric	25.1	29.0	29.8	32.9	44.6	20.8	20
Electrical machinery, appliances	12.8	17.4	13.6	17.6	21.1	10.4	8
Transport equipment:	26.0	27.3	27.6	44.6	76.3	30.1	47
Passenger cars	9.0	8.6	8.9	12.6	10.5	4.3	4
Lorries and trucks	5.0	5.0	6.4	15.0	39.3	15.0	28
Vehicle parts	7.5	10.1	10.1	10.7	19.3	8.4	9
Miscellaneous manufactured articles	12.1	16.7	13.9	14.9	15.1	7.3	6
Professional, scientific, photographic instruments; watches and clocks	3.8	5.1	5.3	5.2	7.1	3.4	3
Unspecified	1.7	2.8	2.2	2.1	2.8	1.3	1
Total	147.5	185.6	157.6	223.3	299.3	149.4	148

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Source: Overseas Trade Statistics of the United Kingdom.

A wine-drinking people tantalized by rising prices

by Jose Shercliff



Making port at a wine lodge at Vila Nova de Gaia. Portugal's fortified wines are famous abroad.

Portugal's wines, both sparkling and still, are a pleasant adjunct to everyday living, but they are fighting for their place on the national list of exports. World-famous port and madeira need no introduction to the buyer abroad, but a wide range of table wines is also available, even though as yet it finds a fluctuating market.

The Portuguese wine trade employs more than a million workers, but in latter years it has been faced with bad harvests, and production costs have increased. Moreover it has lost the big African market which its former colonies of Angola and Mozambique provided, and must turn to new customers. Since 1974 the wine harvest has been steadily bad and production dropped more than 30 per cent between 1975, when it was about nine million hectolitres, and 1977, when it was six million. This year it is expected to be once more very meagre.

The search for new markets has so far proved disappointing, although last year Soviet Russia bought three million bottles of port, worth $4.5m. The main markets for the table wines are the United States, Britain, Switzerland, West Germany, Canada, Denmark and Sweden. Of the socialist countries, East Germany, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary have become sporadic customers. The Ivory Coast, Gabon and Cameroun provide a restricted African market. The overall export in 1976 was about 1,420,000 hectolitres and in 1977, 1,661,000.

Foreign taste for Portuguese wines is not the same as local taste, except for the fortified wines, which have stable international standards. The foreign market for table wines inclines towards slightly sparkling light brands, particularly the rosés.

A rough division of Portuguese wines might be taken as: the fortified wines such as port, madeira and other dessert wines; the "demarcated" table wines from clearly defined production areas, and the undemarcated brands and sparkling wines, as well as the *vinhos de casa* available in the more modest restaurants and bought by the demijohn or bottle for home consumption.

It must, however, be noted that the cost of wine for home consumption is climbing beyond the modest householder's purse. A litre bottle of decent "plonk" which four years ago cost 9 escudos (11p) now costs more than five times as much. This upward spiral is steady, and thus a wine-drinking population will soon not be able to afford to drink its own wines, while foreign countries, taking advantage of the sliding escudo, will be able to afford large imports of Portuguese wines.

The demarcated wines come from strictly delimited areas, and include such fine and reliable wines as those from the northern Dão region. This stretch of hilly schist land and granite, interspersed with forests, is the largest of the officially demarcated zones, situated in the Upper Beira province north of central Portugal. It has been noted for its wines for centuries.

Much of the growing of vines is in small patches, and the wine is generally blended. The red Dão wines are smooth and strong—about 12 degrees. They are fermented slowly, and are more like a burgundy than a claret, although different from either and with their own individual quality. The white Dão wines are among the best in the country, and have a pleasant bouquet.

There are three demarcated areas near Lisbon where excellent light wine is grown—Bucelas, Carcavelos and Colares. England learnt of the Bucelas white wine when Wellington's officers discovered it during the Peninsular War. Apparently it was a sweeter vintage then; now it is pleasantly light and dry.

Portugal's nineteenth-century dictator, the Marquis of Pombal, "made" the Carcavelos wine. He owned vineyards in the best part of the district, and his wine gained a European reputation. It was a rich burgundy type; now it is more of a dessert wine, having a rich golden colour and a high alcoholic content.

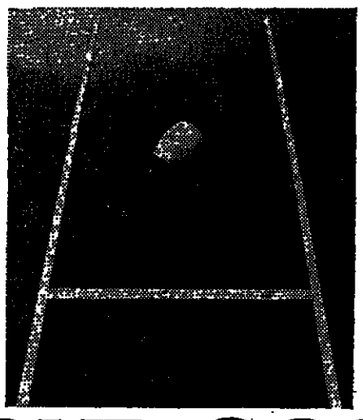
The best of the Colares wine, both white and red, is grown on sandy soil protected by osier palisades from the fierce sea gales. The grapes have to be propped up so that they do not come into contact with the scorching earth in summer. The wine has a distinguished flavour, but is not now grown in large quantities, although it was formerly a very popular brand.

The green wines of Portugal are particularly delicious. They are at their best when taken in their native areas (they are largely a northern vintage), accompanying the food of the region. This is likely to be a succulent cut from a sucking pig.

The grapes for the pale yellowish green and sparkling *vinho verde* in the Minho province are grown in a special way. Instead of being pruned close to the ground like ordinary vines, they are allowed to straggle up and over hedges, bushes and trees. The reason is that in this hilly countryside that is wet in winter, but often intolerably hot in summer, the grapes would burn if too close to the ground and the *vinho verde* would lose its special sparkling tang. Also, the Minho is a poor province, and every foot of land is valuable, so that it would be wasteful to plant the vines in neat, serried rows as in an ordinary vineyard.

The *vinho verde* area stretches from a little north of Aveiro inland, takes in the whole area west of Vila Real and up to the Spanish frontier.

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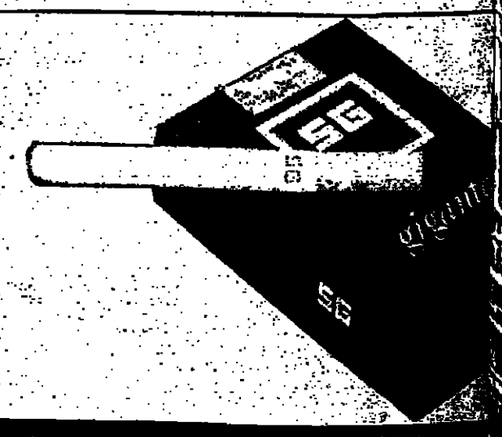
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In spite of a 30 per cent rise in hotel prices—controlled throughout the country—in the past four years, the slide of the escudo combined with the rising cost of living in other countries, continues to make Portugal a cheap holiday spot for most of its traditional client countries. To meet the demand, the Portuguese say they need foreign investment, but what guarantees are offered to those willing to risk their capital?

Contracts under the tourist board scheme cannot offer to peg interest rates, but Senhor Rocha pointed out that increases were always below the inflation rate, giving investors a gain in real terms. There is also what he termed the excellent economic feasibility of tourist projects in important zones such as the Algarve. "A hotel in this area these days can achieve 75 per cent occupancy all year round", he said.

Portugal's tourist development has always differed from that of neighbouring Spain because it has been closely tied to the natural beauty of the country. Visitors to any of the coastal resorts along Portugal's famous 530-mile stretch of beach usually notice this aspect first.

There are none of the brash hotel complexes which jar the eye in some of the Mediterranean's big package holiday areas, and the pace in Portugal is more sedate and relaxed. This does not mean there are not plenty of bars, clubs and restaurants to cater for the multinational crowds, but local colour and friendly Portuguese also abound.

The 1974 revolution created difficulties for the tourist industry just as it did for other aspects of life, but in the past two years confidence has returned and overseas travel operators are again pouring aircraft full of sun-seekers into the airports of Lisbon, Faro and Funchal. Big hotel operators are renewing their interest. Senhor Rocha said negotiations were under way for the return of the American-based Holiday Inn franchise to three hotels, two already completed and operating under different names. Holiday Inns pulled out immediately after the revolution.

Portuguese entrepreneurs are also hoping to persuade the international Hilton group to unfreeze a plan to redevelop a large central Lisbon site into a luxury hotel, theatre and shopping complex.

West Germany remains the largest foreign investor in the sector while Dutch and United Kingdom interests also figure but none of the countries' commitments is large. The latest statistics show that of the 1,800m escudos poured into tourist development in 1975 only 73m escudos was foreign money. British activity seems to centre on the building and sale of chalets at various sites on the south coast.

Several possibilities remain to be exploited by the state tourist board and among them is the growing interest in health spas. Portugal has 19 of these, almost all in the north of the country, offering a seventh of the total bed capacity. While it is mainly the Portuguese who habitually take the waters, French tourist interest is growing. There are plans to improve the spas' facilities and enable some of them to remain open all the year instead of just in summer as at present.

Youth tourism, camping and a new enterprise, senior citizen tourism are other developing areas. The country has 14 youth hostels and a state organization—Inatel—which arranges holidays at its own camp sites, hotels and holiday camps for Portuguese and foreign youth. The same organization arranges holidays for foreign workers through international labour organizations.

The official student travel office is being reconstituted and is due to reopen soon and resume its links with the International Student Travel Association, thus once again providing student discount travel in Portugal.

The World Association for Senior Citizens is reportedly studying the possibility of sending groups of its members on package holidays to Portugal. A recent visit by association representatives has opened the way to a possible new market in the country. The fairly low cost of holidays apparently made a big impression on the association which is considering staging its European congress in Portugal in 1980.



Tourists pause for a picnic in the tessellated square at Nazare.

Spreading the foreign investment net

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Direct foreign investment is appraised for its likely impact on the economic and social development of the country (employment and training of Portuguese workers, added value, technological level), effect on the balance of payments and so on). Proposals are evaluated by the Institute for Foreign Investment.

Two distinct classes for authorization have been established. The general class has the same incentives and conditions as those applying to companies with wholly national capital, except conditions governing access to medium and long-term domestic credit. The contractual class provides particularly favourable conditions for large scale investments or for those which are likely to show profits only in the long term, provided such investments are of proved value to the national economy.

The Institute for Foreign Investment authorizes investment under the general class, subject to the approval of the Ministry of Planning and Economic Coordination when investments exceed 100m escudos. The Council of Ministers approves investments under the contractual class on the recommendation of the institute.

The main characteristics expected from investment projects under the contractual class are the following:
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The Institute of Foreign Investment is convinced that righting the balance of payments deficit will greatly depend on the results of its mission. The foreign investor must not be interested solely in surplus and cheap labour but must channel his capital and technique to Portugal as well.

Britain represents about 14 per cent of the total investment in 1977, ranking after the United States (19 per cent). British investments represented 17.3 per cent in 1975.

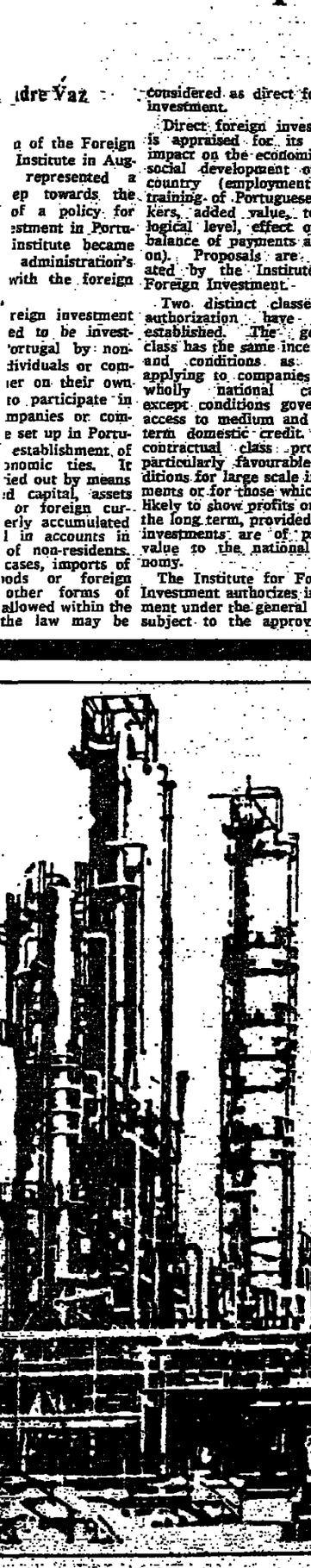
British investments in Portugal have been low over the past years—151m escudos in 1975, 48m in 1976 and 96m in 1977. In the first half of 1978 they came to only £100,000 out of a total foreign investment of £10m during that period.

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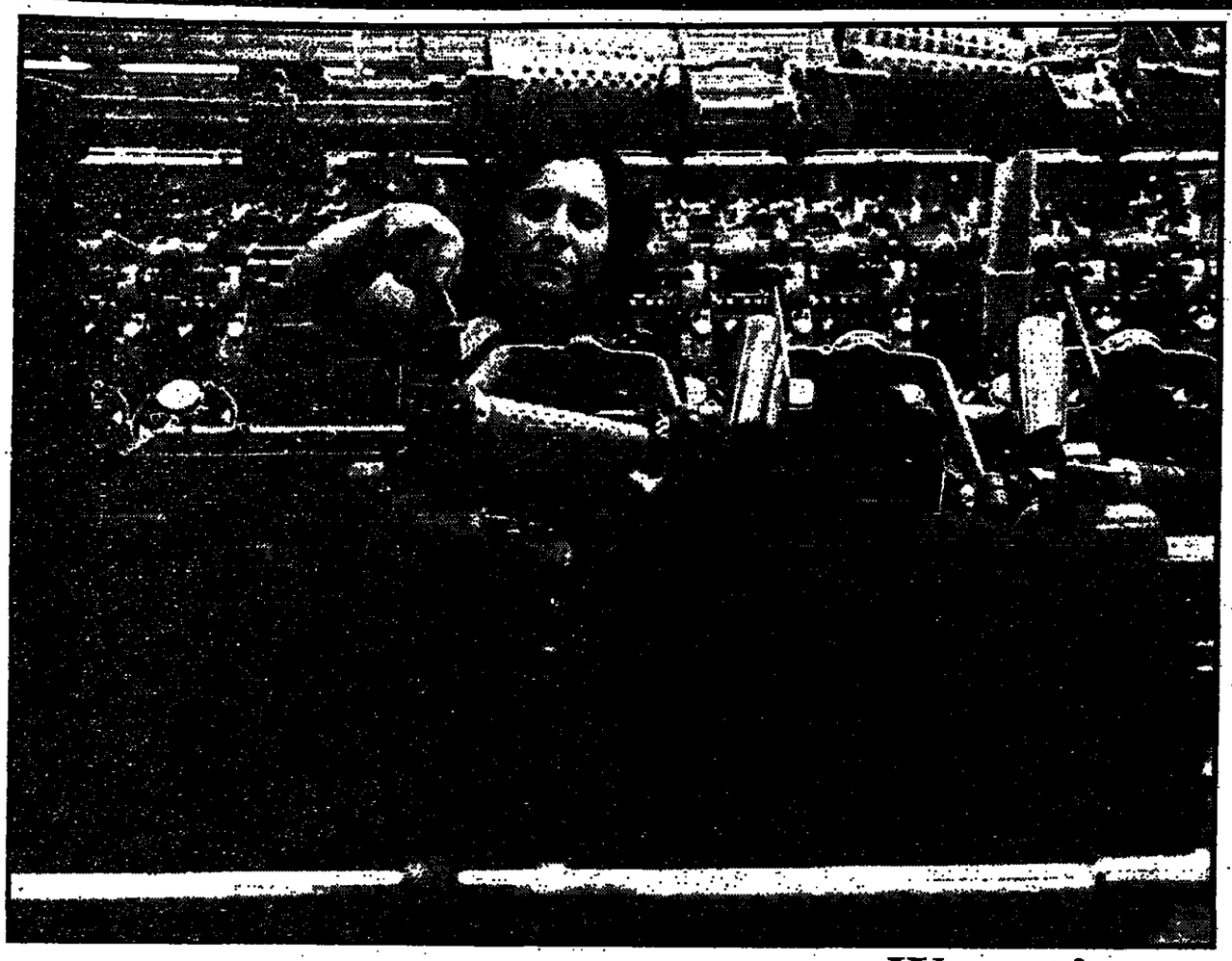
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Women's second-class status slow to change

by Ana Marques Vicente

It is impossible to generalize about the women of Portugal who, as in most other countries, form the majority of the population. The absurd second-class legal status, which stemmed from the Code Napoléon, attributed to women before April, 1974, by the old regime, has been swept away, though habits and customs are slower to change.

The 1933 political constitution clearly enunciated the principle that "all animals are equal": it stated that every person is equal before the law "except for women, the differences resulting from their nature or from the interest of the family". The official mould was set and in spite of occasional and often heroic struggles, strictly put down by highly efficient censorship and by the political police, this theatre of the absurd was to continue for 41 years, an uncommonly long run for any play.

Resulting legislation varied between allowing husbands to open their wives' mail, derisory sentences for those who murdered their wives found in adultery, preventing women from becoming judges or diplomats. Until 1969 married women could not leave the country without their husband's permission, and the 1966 Civil Code, mainly worked out by an unmarried law professor, laid down, among other aberrations, that "the husband is the head of the family and, as such, he is to decide and direct on all matters concerning marital life".

With the military rebellion which, in 24 hours, overthrew the dictatorship on April 25, 1974, women became more conscious of their power and of the opportunities that were opening up to them.

The first exciting months were also a time of reckoning for many marriages, and one husband who forbade his wife and children to go to the first May Day rally ever held in Lisbon, found to his surprise that they did go and never came back.

Apart from enthusiastic participation in political meetings and demonstrations, in trade union activities and in local organizations, a few women were appointed to posts in the successive governments.

The first free elections (for the Constituent Assembly) took place on April 25, 1975 and a high percentage of the electorate, more than 90 per cent, turned out. For many women it was the first time they had recorded their vote, although there is still a lamentably small number of women deputies or women in other positions of political authority.

The constitution drawn up by that assembly states that no person can be discriminated against or privileged on account of his or her sex and that husbands and wives share equal rights and responsibility towards their children, while maternity is considered to be "of fundamental social importance". Similarly, equal opportunities must be granted to women and men in work. The right to family planning is also laid down.

As a result of the new constitution, the Civil Code had to be radically revised. This task has only recently been completed and the new family laws came into force in April 1978. There is no longer a "head of the family" and marriage is based on equality, both partners sharing responsibility towards their children and each other. They each manage their own property and jointly manage their common property.

Women now have access, in principle, to all and every professional career though equal opportunities in the labour market is still an ideal which is difficult to put into effect and which, apart from anything else, has to overcome the misogyny of trade union leaders; at present about 30 per cent of the labour force are women.

Successive governments and political parties have included abortion in their programmes though no new legislation has been promulgated. It is still a criminal offence, subject to a sentence of between two and eight years' imprisonment, though in fact fewer than 10 cases are brought to court every year.

An estimated 100,000 clandestine abortions are carried out yearly, most of them in deplorable conditions. Family planning, not encouraged by the old regime, has now been included in maternal and child health services, and women have access to about 250 centres for free gynaecological examinations and free contraceptives. These health centres are unevenly spread over the country and in many places women go on using abortion as a method of contraception.

There have been many plans and projects for reducing the illiteracy rate but this has not been properly tackled by any of the post-revolutionary governments, and as women form the great majority of the illiterate, when this problem is dealt with, it will mean a radical change in their position.

A few women's organizations are working away from different and often conflicting ideological backgrounds. Unfortunately, none has yet had the initiative to set up any kind of aid for battered women which, here as elsewhere, is a grave problem. There is an official Commission on the Status of Women attached to the Prime Minister's Office which brings women's questions to the attention of the Government and of the population in general.

Thousands of Portuguese women constitute a hidden and uncounted labour force, working on their smallholdings and keeping the family in basic foodstuffs, bearing full responsibility for the household and care of the children. In many parts of the country, women still bake their own bread and wash their clothes in the river, as they have been doing for 1,000 years. Again, an uncounted number live far away from their husbands who have emigrated to European countries as well as to North and South America.

Women have had to cope with the rise in the cost of living, unemployment, the desperate shortage of housing, made greater by the sudden arrival of about 800,000 refugees from the former colonies, the disorganization of the educational system, inadequate public transport, all of which have undermined the possibility of a better quality of life in the near future.

Portuguese society runs the risk of repeating the mistakes of highly-developed countries, of falling into the inevitable frustrations of consumer societies. Let us hope that the Portuguese people may be able to preserve their worthwhile values of neighbourliness, conviviality and a deep sense of family solidarity.



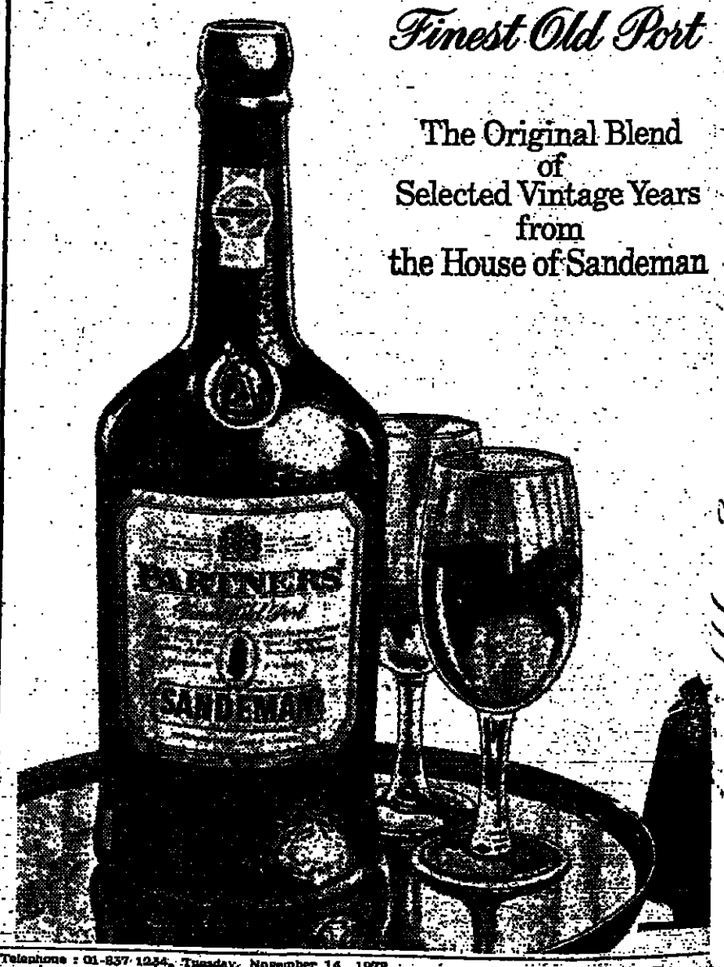
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Despite the downturn in profits and the uncertainty of the future the directors have increased the dividend by the miximum possible. A final of 2.4962p gross takes the total pay our to 3.985p.

The shares, which fell 3p to 37p yesterday yield 10.77 per cent while the p/e ratio, after deducting deferred tax amounts to 9.89.

Newman's Avdel bid goes through

Newman Industries' £8.5m bid for the 68.75 per cent stake in Avdel International it does not already hold succeeded yesterday.

Shareholders agreed to a rights issue to raise £3.7m of the total outlay which is on the basis of two for five shares at 74p. The remainder is to be raised through a placing of 3.5 million preference shares and bank borrowings.

Newman obtained its initial 31.2 per cent in Avdel, which manufacturers a range of mechanical fasteners for industry including Concorde and Honda, last February for £2.4m.

Avdel made pre-tax profits of £2.4m in the year ending June 30, 1978, while Newman Industries' board is predicting group profits of £5m compared with £4m for th eyear to December 31.

Harrisons & Crosfield reaps benefit of reshuffle

By Michael Prest

Benefits for Harrisons & Crosfield, the plantation and manufacturing group, of its long drawn-out and somewhat convoluted set of takeovers and mergers are now showing through in the £21.1m pre-tax profit made in the first half to the end of June. The figure is approximately £2m less than the full-year profits of the group at the end of 1977, and points to much higher pre-tax profits for the full current financial year.

Nevertheless, the market pushed the shares 13p down to 512p, reflecting the complexity of the figures which exclude London Sumatra Plantations, but include Harrisons Malaysian Estates, the prime partner in the recent merger, for the whole six months, along with Malayalam Plantations and Harcros Investment Trust from February. Companies which as the consequence of the mergers and takeovers became subsidiaries of or associated with H & C are also incorporated in these results.

London Sumatra will be an associated company whose contribution to the group will go into the full accounts for 1978. As far as possible, it is intended that for all the companies directly controlled by the group the financial year will now be the same as the calendar year.

Earnings in all areas were "satisfactory", though timber still suffered from thin margins. Chemicals are doing particularly well. The effect of the Malaysian drought in 1976 and 1977 has probably worn off, and prices are still good, with cocoa lower. The gross interim dividend is 9.7p.



Mr Thomas Prentice, chairman of Harrisons & Crosfield.

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Shell Canada to raise £108m

Shell Canada, part of Shell Oil, has arranged through Wood Gundy, the Canadian investment bank, to sell 10m cumulative floating rate preferred shares worth C$250m (£108m) to some Canadian institutions.

The dividend on the shares, as is now normal with this particular instrument, will be calculated every quarter on the formula of half the Canadian prime bank rate plus ¼ per cent. The prime rate is currently 11¼ per cent.

A holder of the shares has the option to retract after 10 years and the issuing corporation can redeem them at any time on 60 days' notice. The deal is still subject to official approval.

This is most likely to be a formality. Such shares have become popular with the cash-rich Canadian banks since they were first launched by Wood Gundy at the beginning of 1977. Last year more than C$1,000m was raised in this way.

The first offer was C$250m for Inco, and subsequent issuers include Aluminium Company of Canada and the Steel Company of Canada. It is estimated that in 1977 C$4-5m was earned in fees for arranging the issues.

The great advantage of this instrument is that it is treated as a capital asset and therefore incurs no tax liability for companies and notmuch for individuals. For the banks, who have been enthusiastic customers, a cumulative floating rate preferred is an attractive alternative to overdraft lending to corporations.

Nippon Steel expects boost

Nippon Steel Corporation of Japan says it expects after-tax profit in the second half-year ending next March to rise slightly from 10,700m yen (about £30.5m) in the first half-year ended September 30, if the yen-dollar exchange rate settles and if it can produce 15.8 million tonnes of crude steel in the second half year.

However, it declined to give specific estimates of profit and sales for the second half. The company earlier reported that first-half after-tax profit rose 37.7 per cent from 7,700m yen in the same 1977 period on sales down 2.5 per cent.

Nippon Steel profit, before-tax and special items, rose sharply to 15,600m yen from 3,600m yen. The company contributed the sharp improvement to cost reductions, lower raw material prices, a rise in domestic steel price and larger exchange profits.

First half crude steel production fell to 15.68 million tonnes from 16.38 million in the same 1977 period, while steel sales fell to 13.68 million tonnes from 14.20 million, reflecting a slump of the domestic shipbuilding industry and a decline in exports, the company said.

Steel sales prices in the first half however, rose to an average 76,940 yen per tonne from 76,289 in the same 1977 period, due partly to increased government spending for public works, Nippon Steel said.—Reuter.

UBS drops 10 per cent

Union Bank of Switzerland's operating earnings in the third quarter and the first nine months were more than 10 per cent below last year's figures, according to Mr Robert Holzach, general manager.

Mr Holzach said that the decline was due mostly to lower income from interest business.

Unfavourable interest rate margins were expected to continue for the rest of the year and no major change in the earnings position was likely for the full 1978 year, he added, without giving figures.

The general manager declined to give an indication of the 1978 dividend. For the past few years, UBS has paid a per share dividend of 100 francs.

Another spokesman said that the bank did not plan to increase capital in 1979, but said it would convert two of its older bond issues and additionally float two new bond issues next year.—Reuter.

Bancroft merger cleared

Union Bancorp of Los Angeles said that Standard Chartered Bank's application to acquire it was accepted by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and forwarded to FED governors in Washington for consideration.

The San Francisco bank stated that Standard Chartered's application appeared to be complete but reserved the right to require additional information, Union Bancorp said.—Reuter.

International

General Motors

General Motors Corporation of Canada expects record sales and earnings in Canada and the United States this year. According to Mr Thomas Murphy. Last year, the company had net earnings of $C3,300 (about £1,437m).

Mr Murphy said General Motors had not altered its sales prediction for either the Canadian or the US car industry. He said GM will have to add additional plants and other facilities to meet growth and changing market demands, but "where those new plants and facilities will be located is an open question".

DM livens up quiet market

Euromarkets

Two sizable Eurocredits are expected to be announced by Manufacturers Hanover later this week. The first is for Indonesia and it will be a $300m 10 year facility carrying interest at ¼ per cent over the London inter-bank rate for the first five years and ⅜ per cent for the rest of the period. The money is expected to be used for specific projects and not to refinance existing debt or for balance of payments reasons.

The second loan is $250m for the Philippines carrying interest of ⅜ per cent over Libor.

The Eurobond market was also very quiet yesterday with little reaction to the planned launch of the SDR denominated issue for the Swedish Investment Bank. After recent news of the first South African international loan for a couple of years, two state agencies are planning to raise money in the German market. South African Railways and Harbours is making a Dm 50m private placement for five years with a 7¼ per cent coupon, priced at 99¾ per cent by lead manager Berliner Handels-und Frankfurter. The South African oil fund is also going to the private placement market for a Dm 20m three year issue at 7¼ per cent price at par... Terms of the Dm 50m issue for Hitachi Shipbuilding were also fixed, sharing a 5.75 per cent coupon and a life of five years. Elsewhere in the Dm sector dealers were still apprehensive about the proposed jumbo United States offering as well as the size of next month's proposed calendar after last month's large Dm 1,200m volume.

Confident RCF ends with 14pc rise

Further growth is the target at RCF Holdings, a hand tool make-rand distributor, after a 14 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to £638,000 for the year to July 31. Turnover went up from £13.2m to £15.7m. Earnings a share were 6.47p against 6.9p, while the dividend is raised from 4.12p to 4.05p gross.

The chairman, Mr John Godfrey says that world trade is heading for a buoyant phase, and more growth should follow from an increase in the group's market share.

The Board of Management of Akzo NV announces that on 14th November 1978 the results for the third quarter of 1978 were published.

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Arnhem, 14th November 1978

Unilever results

The Directors of Unilever announce the results for the third quarter and for the first nine months of 1978, and the interim Ordinary dividends in respect of 1978.

COMBINED RESULTS (£ millions)

Third Quarter 1978	Third Quarter 1977	Increase/ (Decrease)		Nine Months 1978	Nine Months 1977	Increase/ (Decrease)
2,487	2,282	+ 9%	SALES TO THIRD PARTIES – Combined	7,259	6,828	+ 6%
1,054	976		– Limited	3,089	2,922	
1,433	1,306		– N.V.	4,170	3,906	
162.3	135.4	+20%	OPERATING PROFIT	447.0	413.6	+ 8%
–	3.9		Non-recurring items	(1.4)	3.9	
			Concern share of associated companies' profit before taxation	56.3	43.2	
20.3	14.8		Income from trade investments	1.1	1.1	
0.6	0.6		Interest	(35.4)	(28.7)	
(12.0)	(9.8)		Interest on loan capital	(35.4)	(33.3)	
(13.2)	(10.7)		Other interest	–	4.6	
1.2	0.9					
171.2	144.9	+18%	TOTAL CONCERN PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION	467.6	433.1	+ 8%
			Taxation on profit of the year:			
(73.6)	(64.0)		Parent companies and their subsidiaries	(207.3)	(199.6)	
(10.0)	(7.0)		Associated companies	(28.2)	(20.3)	
			Taxation adjustments previous years:			
(0.2)	(0.6)		Parent companies and their subsidiaries	(1.5)	(1.2)	
(0.1)	–		Associated companies	(2.1)	–	
(6.6)	(6.1)		Outside interests and preference dividends	(17.0)	16.3	
(5.7)	(5.2)		Outside interests	(14.3)	(13.6)	
(0.9)	(0.9)		Preference dividends	(2.7)	(2.7)	
80.7	67.2	+20%	Total concern profit attributable to ordinary capital at rates of exchange ruling 31/12/77	211.5	195.7	+ 8%
0.5			Difference arising on recalculation of 1978 results at end September 1978 rates of exchange	0.6		
81.2	67.2	+21%	TOTAL CONCERN PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY CAPITAL	212.1	195.7	+ 8%
41.7	36.8		– Limited	110.4	109.8	
39.5	30.4		– N.V.	101.7	85.9	
21.86p	18.09p	+21%	Earnings per 25p of capital	57.10 p	52.69p	+ 8%

Exchange Rates
As has been our practice the results for the quarter and the first nine months and the comparative figures for 1977 have been calculated at comparable rates of exchange. These are based on £1=Fl. 4.36=US$ 1.91, which were the closing rates of 1977. Total Concern profit attributable to ordinary capital for the current quarter and the first nine months has also been recalculated at the rates of exchange current at the end of September 1978 being based on £1=Fl. 4.17=US$ 1.98.

RESULTS

In the third quarter of 1978 total sales value was 9% higher than in the corresponding quarter of 1977. Of this about 6% arose from increased volume.

In Europe results from the edible fats, frozen products and detergents businesses were again well above those of the corresponding quarter of last year. The toilet preparations businesses faced poor demand; results for the quarter were lower than in 1977. In our industrial businesses results from chemicals showed an improvement, but those of paper, plastics and packaging were lower than in the same quarter of 1977. Animal feeds did well.

In North America total results were below those of the corresponding 1977 quarter, partly because of heavy advertising expenditure for the introduction of new products by Lever Brothers. National Starch figures have been included as from 15th August, 1978, making a worthwhile contribution to sales and operating profit though there were higher interest charges which arose principally from the loan to finance the acquisition.

The UAC International group once again achieved good results. Whilst associated companies continued to make a satisfactory contribution, less favourable economic conditions in Nigeria are beginning to show their effect on our businesses. Sales and profits in other overseas countries continued to be very good, with significant contributions from detergents, edible fats and toilet preparations.

DIVIDENDS

The Boards today declared interim dividends in respect of 1978 on the Ordinary capitals at the following rates which are equivalent in value at today's rate of exchange in terms of the Equalisation Agreement between the two companies:

LIMITED

per 25p Ordinary share 6.52p (1977 7.64p)

N.V.

per Fl. 20 Ordinary capital Fl. 3.40 (1977: Fl. 3.40)

In the case of N.V. the interim dividend will be paid on 21st December, 1978.

Of LIMITED's interim dividend, an amount of 5.20p per share will be paid on 22nd December, 1978 to shareholders registered on 8th December, 1978.

N.V.'s interim dividend is equivalent to the interim dividend for 1977. The weakening of the £ sterling against the guilder gives rise to a higher interim dividend in LIMITED.

The balance of LIMITED's 1978 interim dividend, amounting to 3.32p per share, and the deferred balance of 1977 and earlier dividends amounting to 25.54p per share making a total of 28.86p per share, will be paid, when circumstances permit, to holders of Ordinary capital now in issue registered at the time of payment.

For the purpose of equalising LIMITED's and N.V.'s dividends under the Agreement, the Advance Corporation Tax in respect of any dividend paid by LIMITED has to be treated as part of the dividend. The figures now announced for LIMITED's 1978 interim dividend and the deferred balance of 1977 and earlier dividends have been calculated by reference to the current rate of Advance Corporation Tax (33/67ths): if the rate is changed before payment of these dividends has been completed, the figures will be adjusted accordingly and a further announcement made. The 1977 interim dividend of 7.64p shown above was calculated at the then rate of 34/66ths.

The resolution of the members at LIMITED's Annual General Meeting on the 17th May, 1978 required the final dividend in respect of 1977 of 12.19p per share declared by that resolution to be adjusted by the Directors in the event of a change in the rate of Advance Corporation Tax. Since then the rate of Advance Corporation Tax for the year beginning the 6th April, 1978 has been fixed at 33/67ths. If this rate had been determined prior to the payment of 7.64p per share in respect of that dividend on the 30th May, 1978 the payment would have been 7.95p per share. A further payment of 0.11p per share will therefore be made on the 22nd December, 1978 to shareholders registered on the 8th December, 1978.

13th November, 1978

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Foreign Exchange

There were few significant movements in currency dealings yesterday in light trading. Dealers said a "wait-and-see" attitude prevailed ahead of last night's traditional economic review by Mr Callaghan at the Guildhall and today's United Kingdom trade figures.

In the event, the pound ended easier at $1.9670 (Friday $1,9680), after moving in a narrow $1.9600-95 band, while its trade weighted average closed unchanged at 62.2 (after 62.1 initially). Dealers reported no Bank of England intervention.

The dollar also fluctuated narrowly, and after showing a firmer trend at one stage, slipped back to finish little changed. A crop of 11 per cent US prime rates, up from 10¾ per cent, had been well anticipated and operators took more notice of the breakdown in current

Gold rose by $2.50 to close in London at $210.125 an ounce.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) November 13	Market rates (close) November 13
New York	$1.9600-9695	$1.9665-9675
Montreal	$2.3000-3100	$2.3060-3070
Amsterdam	3.90½-4.03fl	4.00-01fl
Brussels	58.00-30f	58.00-10f
Copenhagen	10.23-29k	10.26½-27½k
Frankfurt	3.69½-73m	3.70½-14m
Lisbon	99.75-00.75e	90.20-70e
Madrid	139.30-140.00p	139.40-50p
Milan	1645-55lr	1649½-49½lr
Oslo	9.95-50k	9.95½-96½k
Paris	8.42-50f	8.46½-47½f
Stockholm	8.51-58k	8.53½-54k
Tokyo	365-75y	370½-1½y
Vienna	27.05-25sch	27.15-22sch
Zurich	3.18½-22f	3.19½-20½f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, 1971, was unchanged at 62.2 per cent.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.47-.37c prem	1.31-1.21c prem
Montreal	.45-.35c prem	2.10-1.95c prem
Amsterdam	2¾-1¾c prem	6½-5½c prem
Brussels	25-15c prem	85-70c prem
Copenhagen	1⅝-3⅝ore disc	3½-5½ore disc
Frankfurt	3⅛-2⅛pf prem	10½-9½pf prem
Lisbon	40-140c disc	170-330c disc
Madrid	90-190c disc	420-520c disc
Milan	1-4lr disc	6-8c disc
Oslo	2ore prem-par	1¾ore prem-¼ore disc
Paris	4½-3½c prem	12½-11½c prem
Stockholm	4¼-2¼ore prem	9½-7½ore prem
Vienna	15-5gro prem	40-30gro prem
Zurich	4-3c prem	11½-10½c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $1.8527-01.

Euro-$ Deposits

[illegible] calls, 9½-10, seven days, 9½-10¼; one month, 10⅝-11⅛; three months, 11¼-11⅝; six months, 11⅝-12⅛.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $209.10 (an ounce); pm, $208.10.

Krugerrand (per coin): non-resident, $214-218 (£109½-110½); resident, $216-218 (£109½-110½). Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $61-63 (£31-32); resident, $61-63 (£31-32).

Discount market

Gilt settlements were chiefly responsible for the severe shortage of credit experienced in the discount market yesterday.

As much as £500m of stock was thought to have been snapped up in the rush last Friday morning, causing the exhaustion of the Government's Broker's supplies of his long "tap" in Exchequer 12 per cent 1999-2002. The market also had to contend with the monthly adjustment of special deposits and a rise in the note circulation, although both these factors were small figures. A very large amount of Treasury bills maturing in the market's favour and fairly large balances carried over the weekend from Friday only partially offset these adverse factors. But the shortage was finally taken out by the purchases by the Bank of England of a large quantity of bills, comprising a large number of Treasury bills and a small amount of corporation bills. Rates opened at about 12½ per cent and hovered between 12 and 12½ per cent for much of the morning.

However, after the bank's programme of assistance, rates slipped down to close within a band of 7 to 8 per cent.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 12½%
(Last changed 9/11/78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 11½-12½%
Discount Mkt Loans %
Overnight: High 12¾ Low 7
Week Fixed: 12-12¾

Treasury Bills (Dis %)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	11⅝	2 months	11⅝
3 months	11⅝	3 months	12

Prime Bank Bills (Dis %) / Trades (Dis %)

2 months	12⅝-12⅝	3 months	13
3 months	12⅝-12⅝	4 months	13¼
4 months	12⅝-12⅝	6 months	13¼
6 months	12⅝-11⅝		

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	12½-12½	7 months	12½-12½
2 months	12½-12½	8 months	12½-12½
3 months	12½-11½	9 months	12½-12
4 months	12½-12½	10 months	12½-12
5 months	12½-12½	11 months	12½-12
6 months	12½-12½	12 months	12½-12

Secondary Mkt. CD Rates (%)

1 month	12½-12½	6 months	12½-12½
3 months	12½-12½	12 months	11½-11½

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	12½	3 months	12½
7 days	12½	6 months	12
1 month	12½	1 year	12

Interbank Market (%)

Overnight: open 12½-11½ close 8½

1 week	12-11½	6 months	12½
1 month	12½	9 months	12½
3 months	12½-12½	12 months	12

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt Rate %)
3 months 12½% 6 months 12½%

Finance House Base Rate 10%

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	12½%
Barclays Bank	11½%
BCCI Bank	12½%
Consolidated Crdts	12½%
C. Hoare & Co	*11½%
Lloyds Bank	11½%
London Mercantile	12½%
Midland Bank	11½%
Nat Westminster	12½%
Rossminster	11½%
TSB	11½%
Williams and Glyn's	11½%

* 7 day deposit on sums of £10,000 and under 8½%, up to £25,000, 9¼%, over £25,000, 9½%.

Commodities

COPPER.—Wire bars closed steadier; cathodes steady, quiet. Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £738.50-39.50 a metric ton; three months, £760.50-61. Sales, 11,475 (mainly carries). Cash cathodes, £725-26.00; three months, £748-49.00. Sales: 2,400 tons (all carries). Morning.—Cash wire bars, £735.50-36; three months, £757.50-58.00. Settlement, £736.00. Sales, 8,100 tons. Cash cathodes, £723.50-24; three months, £745.50-46. Settlement, £724.00. Sales, 2,850 tons (mainly carries).

SILVER was steady.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 290.80p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 572.00); three months, 298.85p (584.30c); six months, 307.20p (597.00c); one year, 322.90p (620.90c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 291.5-91.6p; three months, 299.5-99.6p. Sales, 55 lots of 10,000 troy ounces (about half carries). Morning.—Cash, 290.8-90.9p; three months, 298.9-99.0p. Settlement, 290.9p. Sales, 144 lots (mainly carries).

TIN.—Standard metal was easy; high-grade idle.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £7,600-30 a metric ton; three months, £7,500-10. Sales, 1,300 tons. High grade, cash, £7,600-20; three months, £7,510-20. Sales, nil tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £7,685-90; three months, £7,670-80. Settlement, £7,690. Sales, 750 tons (about half carries). High grade, cash, £7,685-90; three months, £7,580-90. Settlement, £7,690. Sales, nil tons. Singapore tin ex-works, $M2,035 a picul.

LEAD closed barely steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £404-6.00 per metric ton; three months, £392-92.50. Sales, 2,525 tons. Morning.—Cash, £407.50-8.00; three months, £393.50-94. Settlement, £408.00. Sales, 4,600 tons.

ZINC was steady, quiet.—Afternoon.—Cash, £350.50-51.00 a metric ton; three months, £363-63.50. Sales, 850 tons. Morning.—Cash, £350-51.00; three months £363-64.00. Settlement: £351.00. Sales: 2,100 tons (mainly carries). All afternoon prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was at £161.10 ($317) a troy ounce.

ALUMINIUM was easier.—Afternoon.—Three months, £601.50-2.00 a metric ton. Sales, 1,200 tons. Morning.—Three months, £603-4.00. Sales, 850 tons.

RUBBER closed easier.—Dec, 61.50-61.70; Jan, 62.50-62.60; Jan-March, 63.70-63.80; April-June, 66.40-66.45; July-Sept, 68.75-68.80; Oct-Dec, 71.00-71.05; Jan-March, 73.15-73.20; April-June, 75.35-75.40; July-Sept, 77.60-77.65. Sales: 10 lots at five tonnes each and 397 at 15 tonnes each.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were quiet.—Spot: 61.00-62.00; Cifs: Dec, 62.25-62.75; Jan, 63.50-63.75.

COFFEE: Robustas were slightly easier. **ROBUSTAS** (£ per metric ton): Nov, 1530-35; Jan, 1440-45; Mch, 1340-43; May, 1290-95; July, 1369-75; Sep, 1340-50; Nov, 1220-45. Sales: 2,718 lots, including seven options. **ARABICAS** were all unquoted.

COCOA closed about steady. (£ per metric ton).—Dec, 2036.0-38.0; Mch, 2073.0-75.0; May 2109.0-10.0; July, 2105.0-06.0; Sep, 2037.0-92.0; Dec, 2046.0-49.5; Mch, 2020.0-42.0. Sales: 3,984 lots, including 17 options. ICCO prices: daily, for Nov 10, 179.38 c; 15-day average, 179.56 c; 22-day average, 176.34c. (US cents per lb).

SUGAR: The London daily price of "raws" was £2.00 higher at £101; the "whites" price was £3.50 lower at £101.50. Futures were quiet (£ per metric ton).—Dec, 108.45-08.55; Mch, 111.45-11.55; May, 113.95-14.00; Aug 116.55-16.70; Oct 119.75-19.90; Dec, 122.00-22.50; Mch 125.00-26.50. Sales: 1,581 lots. ISA prices (for Nov 10): 7.86 c; 15-day average 8.65c.

White sugar was quiet.—Feb, 109.65-11.00; Apl, 114.10-15.00; July, 118.65-20.00; Sep, 121.50-24.00; Nov, 126.00-25.00; Feb, 130.00-34.00; Apl, 133.00-38.00. Sales: nil.

SOYABEAN MEAL closed easier.—Dec, 122.00-22.30; Feb, 122.60-22.80; Apl, 123.10-23.50; Jne 122.80-23.10; Aug, 123.10-23.50; Oct, 122.00-24.50; Dec, 121.00-25.00. Sales: 80 lots.

WOOL: Greasy futures (pence per kilo).—Australian (quiet).—Dec, 229.0-31.0; March, 233.0-35.0; May, 237.0-40.0; July, 230.39.0; Oct, 230.0-30.0; Dec, 236.0-38.0; March, 237.0-39.0; May, 240.0-44.0. Sales: nil.

New Zealand Crossbreds (quiet).—Dec, 180.0-86.0; March, 182.0-83.0; May, 182.0-85.0; July, 182.0-86.0; Oct, 188.0-92.0; Dec, 192.0-96.0; March, 1920-96.0; May, 192.0-98.0. Sales: nil.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—**WHEAT.**—Canadian Western Red Spring, number one, 13½ per cent, Nov-Dec, £94.35 seller Tilbury. United States Dark Northren Spring, nuber two, 14 per cent, Nov, £89.75; Dec, £91.25 seller trans-shipment east coast. United States Hard Winter, number two, per cent, Dec, £89.50 quoted trans-shipment east coast.

MAIZE.—No 3 yellow American/French option, unquoted. French, Nov, £103; Dec, £104.50 sellers trans-shipment east coast. South African White, Jan-Feb, £67.75 UK. South African Yelow, Jan-Feb, £67.75 UK.

BARLEY.—English Feed fob, Dec, £85.00; Jan-March, £86.00 trans-shipment east coast. All per tonne, cif United Kingdom, unless stated.

JUTE was quiet. Bangladesh white "C" grade, Nov-Dec, $291 per long ton. "D" grade, Nov-Dec, $481.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). EEC origin.—**BARLEY** was slightly easier.—Nov, £80.05; Jan, £82.30; March, £84.65; May, £87.15; Sept, £83.25. Sales: 36 lots.

WHEAT was slightly easier.—Nov, £88.75 Jan, £90.25; March, £92.85; May, £95.30; Sept, £89.70. Sales: 138 lots.

Home-Grown Cereal Authority's location ex-farm spot prices:

	Other milling WHEAT	Feed WHEAT	Feed BARLEY
Central Scotland	—	£90.90	—
Cambridge	£89.50	£84.40	£75.80

The UK monetary coefficient for the week beginning Monday Oct 20 (based on H-GCA calculations) is expected to remain unchanged.

Meat Commission: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on November 13: GB: Cattle, 68.29p per KG LW (+0.36). UK: Sheep, 133.5p per KG EST DCW (-1.3). GB: Pigs, 64.9p per KG LW (-0.1). England and Wales: Cattle numbers, no change, average price 68.00p (+0.35). Sheep numbers up 0.5 per cent, average price 133.8p (-1.0). Pig numbers up 4.1 per cent, average price 64.9p (-0.1). Scotland: Cattle numbers down 13.2 per cent, average price 70.05p (+0.60). Sheep numbers up 2.9 per cent, average price 131.1p (-1.7). Pig numbers up 18.6 per cent, average price 64.8p (-1.9)

TEA.—There was a fairly good general demand for the 34,929 packages on offer at this week's tea auction, the London Tea Brokers' Association said. Assams came to an irregular market, but with prices at times two pence to six pence lower with quality. Dooars ruled firm to dearer. Brighter Bangladesh teas were firm to dear and plainer sorts lost two pence to four pence. East Africans were irregular and sometimes two pence to four pence easier.

Clean black leaf Central Africans were firm to dearer, but plainer poor leaf sorts were easier. There was a stronger and more general demand for Sri Lanka teas and whilst prices opened irregularly, the market closed on a firm note. South Indian teas were only in fair demand. Poor liquoring teas were difficult to sell.

US confident that trade visit to China will increase grain orders

By a Special Correspondent

United States officials are confident that the 10-day visit by the Agriculture Secretary, Mr Bob Bergland, to China will secure a long-term market for American grain. Speaking in Peking last week, Mr Bergland said that his discussions with Chinese officials had established a framework for greatly expanded agricultural cooperation between the two countries.

The Chinese suspended purchases of American grain in 1974 and the trade was only renewed this year. To date, China has placed orders for 2.7 million tonnes of American wheat for delivery in 1978-79. China is expected to buy about another 2 million tonnes of wheat this season on the world markets before its mammoth import needs of 9 million tonnes are met.

Until 1977, China regularly imported between 3.5 million and 5.6 million tonnes of wheat a year, mostly supplied by Australia and Canada. Its wheat imports were largely financed by exports of rice, which averaged 0.9 to 1 million tonnes a year.

The United States cornered a share of this marker in 1971, but it lasted for only three years. The reputation of American exporters suffered in 1974 a result of shipments of adulterated wheat, one of which was turned back by China. The Chinese were also concerned by the presence of smut fungus in American wheat, something they had eliminated from their own crops.

Chinese wheat imports were, in any case, lower than average in the turbulent years of 1975 and 1976. Last year, however, saw an abrupt change in Chinese policy.

The link between wheat imports and rice exports, both of which are handled by the same marketing organization was broken, and wheat imports soared to 8.6 million tonnes over 1977-78.

This year China will account for an eighth of world wheat imports. The sudden increase reflects changing consumption patterns rather than poor harvests. Though last year's crop of 40 million tonnes was below average the USDA is forecasting a record 44 million tonnes harvest this year, despite a serious drought.

Wheat is tht staple diet in the northern and urban areas. In the south, rice predominates, though there are signs that wheat consumption there is also increasing. According to the USDA, Chinese wheat consumption will reach 53 million tonnes in 1978-79,ab out 4 million tonnes more than last year.

Though the Chinese are also anxious to mechanize cereal production and to improve yields, it is probable that moves to modernize livestock production will establish a long-term dependency upon imported grain.

Livestock has traditionally played a secondary role in Chinese agriculture. Cattle have been largely used as draught animals and, like poultry and pigs, have been feed with household waste and crop residues, rather than with grain.

At present, cereal imports account for only 4 per cent of total Chinese demand. However, this is double the level of a few years ago. Wheat imports now account for 17 per cent of demand, compared with an historic average of about 10 per cent. China is even beginning to import soya beans from the United States, a crop which originated in China and was, until recently, exported by it to Japan.

Mr Bergland said that he had not discussed specific sales of United States agricultural commodities and that China would have to negotiate these with private American companies. The Chinese are no longer so insistent upon the long-term contracts at a government level which have characterized their trade with Australia and Canada.

He added that he had not entered into details about financing, though his assistant secretary, Mr Dale Hathaway held discussions with Chinese officials about short-term credits which have recently been offered by the United States. Mr Bergland said that the Chinese officials were very clear about what they wanted and they agreed that an exchange with the United States of accurate agricultural statistics was essential for the planning of both countries.

Commodities

Possibly in response to the demands from a growing class of technocrats, the Chinese authorities have committed themselves to making available a more protein rich diet. This includes a commitment to greater live stock production.

This year has seen a significant Chinese presence in the world feed grain markets for the first time. Feed grain imports are expected to total at least 2 million tonnes this year, compared with just 100,000 tonnes in 1977-78. The United States has already sold 1.3 million tonnes of feed grain to China this year.

According to Mr Bergland, the Chinese officials have placed particular emphasis upon purchases of American agricultural and food processing technology, ranging from poultry plants to bread factories.

Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Acorn Secs (F)	—(—)	0.18(0.15)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Capital Gearing (I)	—(—)	0.031(0.039)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Clydesdale Invst (F)	—(—)	2.1(1.6)	2.0(1.67)	1.30(1.17)-	10/1*	1.30(1.17)
Coin Union (I)a	—(—)	101.1(0.06)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Cope Sportswear (I)	4.0(3.1)	0.28(0.21)	1.1(0.84)	0.1(0.09)	5/1*	—(—)
Concentric (F)	33.2(31.5)	1.5(2.4)	—(—)	1.67(1.54)	—	2.6(2.3)
Elswick-Hopper (I)	7.6(5.4)	0.45(0.35)	—(—)	0.45(0.4)	1/2*	—(—)
Guardian Inv Tst (I)	—(—)	1.3(1.2)	—(—)	0.90(0.75)	15/12	—(—)
Harrisons & Cros (I)	—(—)	21.9(—)	21.9(—)	6.5(6.38)	8/12	—(—)
Hambros Invst (I)	—(—)	1.49(1.42)	2.32(2.15)	1.5(1.5)	15/12	—(—)
C. E. Heath (I)	—(—)	6.5(5.4)	—(—)	1.62(1.45)	4/1*	—(—)
Impala Plat (I)b	—(—)	—(—)	—(—)	4.0(—)	29/12	—(—)
Norwest Holst (I)	53.3(46.4)	2.0(1.8)	10.4(9.9)	1.59(1.45)	8/1*	—(—)
Riley (Hldgs) (F)	—(—)	4.9(—)	4.92(—)	1.6(—)	11/1	2.6(—)
Rothschild Invst (I)	—(—)	—(—)	—(—)	2.0(1.5)	—	—(—)
Seccombe M'shall (I)	—(—)	—(—)	—(—)	5.5(5.0)	2/1*	—(—)
Unilever (I)a	—(—)	467.6(433.1)	57.1(52.6)	—(—)	—	—(—)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.49. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. * 1979. a 9 months. b Cents.

Rubber conference

Geneva, Nov 13.—Leading natural rubber producing and consuming countries today began a scheduled four-week negotiating conference to try and establish the first international agreement to stabilise prices and markets. The conference was opened by UNCTAD secretary-general, Gamani Corea, who said the main issues are pricing mechanisms and the type and size of an international buffer stock that would be used to regulate prices.

Rubber is the first commodity without an existing agreement to reach the stage of a negotiating conference under the UNCTAD integrated programme on commodities, Mr Corea said, adding that rubber exports by developing countries totalled $2,200m in 1976 and were the second most important agricultural export. On current forecasts there will be a deficit in wormld production of 500,000 to 1m tonnes by 1990

Oilseed output

Oil World, the Hamburg-based weekly publication, said it expects world production of the 10 major oilseeds to increase by 6 per cent in the 1978-79 season which began on October 1, to 154.51m tonnes.

This compares with an increase last season of 16 per cent and the average annual rate of 2.3 per cent during the four seasons ended 1976-77. *Oil World* said soya beans will again account for the larger part of the increase if the Brazilian crop is 13.5m tonnes as expected. Total world soyabean output is put at 83.4m tonnes against 77.5m in 1977-78.

Oils and Fats

Actual world consumption of oils and fats for the 1978-79 season which began on October 1, is expected to show a near record increase of 1.65 million tonnes, the Hamburg-based weekly publication *Oil World* said.

This folows last year's record increase of 1.7 million tonnes.

Actual consumption, the amount of oils and fats consumed by end users, is put at50.9 million tonnes for this season compared with 49.25 million last year and 47.55 million for the 1976-77 season.—Reuter.

Options

Business in traded options picked up a bit yesterday. The pitch dealt with 604 deals compared with 509 last Friday but there was no business done in RTZ, and ICI, and only three contracts were arranged in EMI, five in Consolidated Gold Fields and eight in Marks and Spencer. BP easily led the way with 148 contracts, the most popular series being the January 950 wherein 62 deals were done. The price hardened from 14p to 16p at one stage before easing to 15p. The April 950 series saw 49 deals and here the price eventually eased from 35p to 32p after touching 38p.

In conventional options dealers reported moderate activity. In fortnightly options there were no calls puts or doubles.

A long list of call options included English Properties, Town and City, Burton Warrants, Bath and Portland, Cooper Industries, Burmah, Carron, Associated Leisure as well as Capital and County, Comfort Hotels Int, Ladbroke Warrants, Mount Charlotte, Pacific Copper. Hampson Industries, Ratners and Allied Breweries also figured. A put was arranged in Barker and Dobson.

Recent Issues

	Closing Price
Aravliffe Hldgs 10p Ord (42½)	43
Ashton Mining 60c (A$0.50)	60+2
Bristol Wtr 7% Pf 1983 (*a)	£10
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Croda Ord Ord	32
Crosby Hse 10% Cnv 87-90 (Par½)	£1 prem
Ferranti 50p Ord (101)	262
Laing Properties 25p Ord	110
Do A 25p Ord	110
Marlborough Prop 5p Ord	16+2
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Do 10% Cnv (£100½)	122
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Fothergill (82)	Dec 12	15 prem+3

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215	106	Airsprung 18½% CULS	215	—	18.5	8.6	—
46	25	Armitage & Rhodes	42	—	3.6	8.5	7.6
185	105	Bardon Hill	185	+2	12.0	6.0	10.0
72	26	Deborah Ord	67	—	2.8	4.1	8.3
242	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	242	—	17.5	7.2	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	132	—	12.4	9.3	5.2
155	135	George Blair	155	—	15.0	9.6	5.8
60	36	Jackson Group	60	—	5.0	8.3	7.0
116	55	James Burrough	116	—	6.5	5.6	10.7
340	188	Robert Jenkins	308	—	29.7	9.6	5.1
25	9	Twinlock Ord	24½	—	—	—	21.6
82	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	80	—	12.0	15.0	—
112	54	Unilock Holdings	112	—	7.4	6.6	12.0
129	67	Walter Alexander	129	—	7.2	5.5	7.9

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Broadcasting Guide

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PERSONAL CHOICE



Del Henney and Wanda Ventham star in Fallen Hero

● Donal and Sally, this week's Play for Today (BBC 1, 9.25) probes gingerly a complex area of human relationships where precedent is not to be trusted and blame and credit cannot be apportioned. If the mood in which James Duthie's play leaves us is one of confusion and vague dissatisfaction, this is probably the most that the author can expect from us. It is the story of two teenagers, a boy and girl, at a day centre for the mentally handicapped. It seems that a relationship is building up between them that could eventually take a physical turn. Most of the staff over-react; the girl's parents most certainly do. The question the play poses, though it does not beat drums or wave banners, is: what do you do about the sexual instincts of the mentally handicapped? Mr Duthie has, I think, written a documentary more than a play. But, on television these days, it is becoming increasingly difficult to tell the two apart.

● I have only just caught up with Empire Road (BBC2, 6.50), the five-part series about a West Indian and Asian community in Birmingham. I assume that tonight's episode is typical. It has an Indian girl in love with a West Indian boy against her father's wishes, and it also has a lazy bachelor being manoeuvred into marriage by the woman who runs the local fish-and-chip shop. The colour of the actors' skins and the ethnic background music are the only two features which distinguish Empire Road from any other well constructed, well written and well acted series about people living in a strictly limited area whose lives continually criss-cross.

● I do not feel qualified to dispute the BBC's claim that tonight's two-hour industrial relations debate from Birmingham Town Hall (Radio 4, 8.05) is the most spectacular political event the city has seen for half a century. Two thousand people will listen to contributions by 15 leading figures from politics, industry, the trade unions and the universities. They include—and I pick these names at random—Albert Booth, Secretary of State for Employment; James Prior, Cyril Smith, Alex Jarratt, Clive Jenkins, Sir John Methven, Lord McCarthy and Sir Adrian Cadbury. In the chair: Sir Myer Galpern, Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons.

● Some random thoughts about today's other radio programmes. Peter Hudson (Radio 4, 6.30) may well have an individual brand of humour, as Radio Times says, but he also tells some ancient and not very good jokes whose long retirement should not have been interrupted in this way. Today's Woman's Hour (Radio 4, 1.45) has a talk by John Donat about his much-admired father Robert, possessor of that most distinctive voice, who died 20 years ago.

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEREO; * BLACK AND WHITE; (r) REPEAT.

TELEVISION

BBC 1

9.38 am, For Schools, colleges (until 12.30 pm): 9.38, Out of the Past (Charles Dickens, 2); 10.05, Look and Read; 10.30, Let's Go; 11.00, Watch; 11.17, Going to Work; 11.38, Taking Shape; 12.05 pm, A Job Worth Doing? (electronic engineering).

12.45, News and weather.

1.00, Pebble Mill: including the medical feature Medicine Matters.

1.45, How Do you Do?: counting games and a story.

2.00, You and Me: for younger children.

2.14, For Schools, colleges (until 3.00): 2.14, Treffpunkt: Deutschland; 2.30, English (The Government Inspector: 3).

3.20, Pobol y Cwm: serial from Wales.

3.53, Regional News.

3.55, Play School: the story is called Buttons or Bows.

4.20, Deputy Dawg: cartoon.

4.25, Jackanory: Steve Hodson reads Nina Warner Hooke's Pepita.

4.40, Screen Test: Film contest between Chipping Norton School and Bishop Stopford School, Kettering.

5.05, John Craven's Newsround: for younger viewers.

5.10, The Record Breakers: we hear "the worst singer in the world" and meet the only man with a double VC.

5.40, News with Angela Rippon.

5.55, Nationwide: The Prince of Wales switches on London's Christmas lights.

6.50, David Essex: He and Twiggy sing Send in the Clowns.

7.20, James Burke's Connections: tonight's programme in this historical detection series is called The Wheel of Fortune.

8.10, Dallas: stories of a rich Texan family. Tonight, the spoilt Lucy runs away.

9.00, News, with Angela Rippon.

9.25, Play for Today: Donal and Sally: James Duthie's play about two mentally handicapped young people who fall in love.

10.40, Tonight.

11.20, Roads to Conflict: another in this series about the Middle East dispute. Tonight: the state of Israel is born.

11.45, Weather/Regional News.

BBC 1 variations: WALES 10.00 am, Hyn o Fyd. 6.50, Heddiw. 7.10, Pobol y Cwm. 7.40, David Essex. 11.20, Dechrau Siarad. SCOTLAND: 9.38, Geography for Schools. 6.50, Tom and Jerry. 6.55, Ballad Folk. 9.25, Return to Lilybank. 10.15, Tuesday Night. 10.45, Donkey that Walked into History. 11.35, Roads to Conflict. MIDLANDS: 6.50, Action 78. EAST: 6.50, Day Out. SOUTH: 6.50, Cusden on Location.

BBC 2

10.30 am, Working for Safety: the chemical, dust and fumes threat to workers (r).

11.00, Play School: same as BBC 1, 3.55. Closedown at 11.25.

2.30 pm, The Engineers: the flesh-and-blood aspect of engineering (r).

3.00, Propaganda with Facts: the state and the cinema in the Second World War.

3.30, The Living City: sociology series about people's work attitudes (r). Closedown at 3.55.

5.00, Open University (until 5.40): Students with problems. 5.25, S101 Preparatory Maths.

5.40, Laurel and Hardy: County Hospital (1932). Stanley visits Oliver who has a broken leg.*

5.55, News: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.

6.00, In the Making: film about the potter Tessa Fuchs (r).

6.20, Digame: Spanish for beginners (r).

6.45, News and weather.

6.50, Empire Road: life among the immigrants of Birmingham. A weekly series of fictional stories.

7.20, The Birds Fall Down: part 3. Kamensky's perfidy, and the effect it has on Count Diakonov.

8.10, The Voyage of Charles Darwin: part 3. What the scientist learns from the three Indian hostages, and how Captain Fitzroy's experiment ends.

9.10, Wodehouse Playhouse: John Alderton as the man who cannot play golf but thinks of himself as an expert.

9.40, Man Alive: With oil pollution accidents becoming more frequent, the programme asks: when the really big black tide comes in are we ready to meet it?

10.30, Floodlit Rugby League: The third quarter-final of the BBC 2 competition. Huddersfield play Wigan.

11.15, News and weather.

11.25, The Old Grey Whistle Test: the entertainers are David Johansen and Buzzcocks.

12.05 am, Closedown: Ronald Pickup reads Simon Rae's poem The Tools.

THAMES

9.30 am, For Schools (until 12.00): 9.30, Seeing and Doing (rivers); 9.47, Reading with Lenny; 10.00, Believe it or not (violence); 10.18, It's More Life; 10.40, Facts for Life; 11.05, Leapfrog (maths); 11.22, Look Around (food); 11.39, The Land (Snowdonia).

12.00, Chorlton and the Wheelies: Children's story.

12.10, Rainbow; for children. The theme is: Smoothness.

12.30, Treasures in Store: the Bowes Museum at Barnard Castle.

1.00, News.

1.20, Thames News.

1.30, Crown Court: a new case begins. A white Rhodesian in Britain is charged with killing a black African.

2.00, After Noon: Elaine Grand presents this edition.

2.25, Raffles: repeat of the successful plays about the gentlemen thief. Today: Bunny (Christopher Strauli) and Raffles (Anthony Valentine) team up.

3.20, Heart to Heart: interview with a girl whose mother was born in care.

3.50, The Sullivans: Australian family story. Continued.



William Boyde

4.20, Get it Together: pop show. Guests are Gerard Kenny, Dandy, Mark Middler and the Moody Blues.

4.45, Magpie: the young viewers' magazine programme.

5.15, Emmerdale Farm: Sam accept Seth's challenge.

5.45, News.

6.00, Thames at Six: regional round-up.

6.25, Help! Information from Joan Shenton.

6.35, Crossroads: Strange behaviour from Mr Booth.

7.00, Botanic Man: David Bellamy, in New Zealand, talks about adaptations of plant reproductive systems, in a botanically unique environment.

7.30, Charlie's Angels: A fortune in store for the girl whose picture appears in the newspaper?

8.30, The Upchat Connection: The line-spinning Mike Upchat tries his luck with Maggie's pretty neighbour in Birmingham.

9.00, Fallen Hero: new series of plays about a professional Rugby League player who has to reshape his life when he sustains a serious injury. Del Henney plays the falling star.

10.00, News.

10.30, Travels with a Donkey: reconstruction of Robert Louis Stevenson's mountain odyssey with his four-legged friend Modestine through southern France 100 years ago.

11.30, Lou Grant: newspaper drama.

12.25 am, Close: a poem by Robert Herrick, read by Derrick Gilbert.

RADIO

Radio 4

6.00 am, News, weather, papers, sport. 6.10, Farming. 6.30, Today. 7.00, 8.00, News. 7.30, 8.30, Headlines.
8.35, Yesterday in Parliament.
9.00, News.
9.05, Tuesday Call.
10.00, News.
10.05, In Britain Now.
10.30, Service.
10.45, Story: Tonight I'll Tell Him.
11.00, News.
11.05, Play: Beach Games.
11.35, The End of the Pier? British Seaside piers.
12.00, News.
12.02 pm, You and Yours.
12.20, Desert Island Discs.
1.00, The World at One. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour.
2.45, Listen with Mother.
3.00, News.
3.10, Questions to the Prime Minister.
3.35, Vanity Fair (7).†
4.30, My Delight, Frederick Raphael.
4.35, Story: Omar (7).
5.00, PM Reports.
6.00, The Six O'Clock News.
6.30, The Peter Hudson Show.†
7.00, News.
7.05, The Archers.
7.20, The Road to El Dorado.
8.05, Where Do We Go from Here? Industrial Peace.
9.59, Weather.
10.00, The World Tonight.
10.30, The Jason Explanation of Culture.†
11.00, A Book at Bedtime. The Price of Love (2).
11.15, The Financial World.
11.30, Parliament.
12.0, News, weather.
12.20-12.23 am, Inshore Forecast.
VHF: Regional News, Weather at 6.50 am, 7.50, 12.55 pm, 5.55. Schools at 9.40 am, 10.45, 2.00 pm. Study at 11.00 pm.

Radio 3

6.55 am, Weather.
7.00, News.



Michael Crawford

7.05, Concert: Dvorak, Janacek.†
8.00, News.
8.05, Concert: J. S. Bach.†
9.00, News.
9.05, Composer: Hummel.†
9.40, Plainsong and the Rise of European Music: Tallis.†
10.35, Tuckwell Wind Quintet, part 1: Mozart.†
11.20, In Short.
11.30, Concert, part 2: Schoenberg.
12.10 pm, BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra: Mozart, Shostakovich.†
1.00, News.
1.05, The Arts Worldwide.
1.25, BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra, part 2: Mozart, Beethoven.†
2.10, Music at St George's, Bristol, by Chopin, Liszt.†
3.10, Haydn Quartet in D.†
3.35, English Songs.†
4.30, Master Cellists, Janos Starker plays Martinu, Bartok, Dohnanyi.†
5.15, Jazz Today.†
5.45, Homeward Bound.†
6.30, News.
6.35, At Home: William Mann on Saint-Saëns's opera Samson et Dalila.
7.30, BBC Symphony Orchestra, part 1: Bruckner.†
8.35, The Expressionist Classic, Georg Kaiser: talk by Martin Esslin.
9.00, BBC Symphony Orchestra, part 2: Sibelius.†
9.50, The Prelude (5): Cambridge and the Alps.
10.20, The Trio Sonata.†
11.15, Hummel.†
11.45, News.
11.50, Schubert Song.

Radio 2

News at 5.00 am, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, on hour from 8.00-2.00 am.
5.02 am, Tony Brandon.† 7.32, Terry Wogan.† 8.27, Racing Bulletin. 10.02, Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm, Waggoners' Walk. 12.30, Pete Murray's Open House.† 1.45, Sports Desk, racing. 2.30, David Hamilton.† 2.45 and 3.45, Sports Desk. 4.30, Waggoners' Walk. 4.45, Sports Desk. 4.50, John Dunn.† 5.45, Sports Desk. 6.45, Sports Desk, racing results. 7.02, On the Third Beat.† 7.30, Folk 78: Cambridge Crofters.† 8.02, Gala Night Music for the 1977 Jubilee.† 9.02, Among Your Souvenirs.† 9.55, Sports Desk. 10.02, Variety Club Cabaret. 11.02, Tennis: Benson and Hedges Tournament. 11.05, Brian Matthew: Round Midnight. 12.00, News; weather. 2.00-2.02 am, News.

Radio 1

News on the half-hour 6.30 am-11.30, 1.30 pm-4.30, 6.30, 8.30.
5.00 am, As Radio 2. 7.00, Dave Lee Travis. 9.00, Simon Bates. 11.31, Paul Burnett. 12.30 pm, Newsbeat. 2.00, Tony Blackburn: National Pop Panel. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 5.30, Newsbeat. 6.30, Personal Call. 8.00, Andy Peebles. 9.50, Newsbeat. 10.00, John Peel.† 12.00-2.02 am, As Radio 2.

VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am, With Radio 2. 1.55 pm, Good Listening. 10.00, With Radio 1. 12.00-2.02 am, With Radio 2.

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REGIONAL TV

Tyne Tees

9.25 am, The Good Word. North East News. Weather. 9.30, Thames. 1.20 pm, North East News. Lookaround. Weather. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, The Brady Bunch. 5.45, News. 6.00, Northern Life. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, The Bob Newhart Show. 12.00, Epilogue. 12.05 am, Close.

Westward

9.30 am, Thames. 12.27 pm, Gus Honeybun's Birthdays. 12.30, Thames. 1.20, Westward Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Westward Diary. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Treasure Hunt. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 10.28, Westward News. Weather. 10.30, Thames. 11.30, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 12.10 am, World in Action. 12.40, Faith for Life. 12.45, Close.

Southern

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News. Weather. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Undersea Adventures of Captain Nemo. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Day by Day. Southsport. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Thames. 11.30, Southern News Extra. 11.40, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 12.25 am, Weather. Drawing to an End. Close.

Channel

9.30 am, Thames (until 12.00). 1.18 pm, Channel News. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Report at Six. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Treasure Hunt. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 10.28, Channel News. 10.32, Travels with Donkey. 11.30, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 12.10 am, World in Action. 12.40, News in French. Close.

Ulster

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Lunchtime. 1.30, Thames. 4.18, Ulster News Headlines. 4.20, Thames. 5.15, Cartoon. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Reports. 6.35, The Mary Tyler Moore Show. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, Bedtime. 11.40, Close.

ATV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, ATV Newsdesk. 1.30, Thames. 3.20, Heart to Heart. 3.55, The Electric Theatre Show. 4.20, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Thames. 11.30, Jazz Concert: Alex Welsh and His Band. 12.00, Something Different. 12.20 am, Close.

Granada

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, This is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 5.10, What's New. 5.15, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, Emmerdale Farm. 7.00, University Challenge. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, Dan August. 12.30 am, Close.

Grampian

9.25 am, First Thing. 1.20 pm, Grampian Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Grampian Today. Weather. 6.10, Tulip Fiesta. 6.35, Thames. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, Power Without Glory. 12.25 am, Reflections. 12.30, Grampian Headlines. 12.35, Close.

Border

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Border News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Jonny Quest. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Lookaround. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Skiing with Gina. 12.00, Border News. Weather. 12.03 am, Close.

HTV

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Report West Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Report West. 6.30, Botanic Man. 7.00, Three Little Words. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, Code R. 12.25 am, Weather. Close.
HTV CYMRU/WALES: As HTV West except: 1.20 pm, Penawdau Newyddion y Dydd. 4.25, Report Wales Headlines. 4.20, Cogito. 6.00, Y Dydd. 6.35, Report Wales. 10.00, News. Report Wales Headlines. 10.30, Dim Ond Heddiw. 11.00, Gwyl Corau Dani Cymru 1978, Corwen. 11.30, World in Action. 12.00, Donna Summers Disco Party. 12.30 am, Weather. Close.
HTV GENERAL SERVICE: As HTV West except: 1.25 pm, Report Wales Headlines. 6.15, Report Wales.

Anglia

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. 2.00, Houseparty. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Emmerdale Farm. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, The Rolf Harris Show. 7.30, Thames. 11.30, The Streets of San Francisco. 12.25 am, Chapter and Verse. Close.

Scottish

9.30 am, Thames. 1.25 pm, News. Weather. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Dodo the Space Kid. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.30, What's Your Problem? 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Thames. 11.30, Late Call. 11.35, Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 12.20 am, Close.

Yorkshire

9.30 am, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 3.20, Calendar Tuesday. 3.50, Thames. 5.15, You're Only Young Twice. 5.45, Thames. 6.00, Calendar. Weather. 6.35, Thames. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, Fantasy Island. 8.30, Thames. 11.30, The Bob Newhart Show. 12.00, Close.

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BELL.—On November 12th, 1978, at 5 *Poplars Farm Road*, Kettering, William Charles, dearly loved husband of Elizabeth. Funeral service St. Botolphs Church, Barton Seagrave, Kettering, on Thursday, November 16th at 11.15 a.m. Followed by cremation. Flowers may be sent to H. J. Phillips & Son (Funeral Directors) Ltd., 25 Princes St., Kettering.

BEVILAQUA, LORETA (nee Pozzola), born Italy, 28 April, 1908, peacefully, on Friday, 10th November, 78. Requiem mass at St. Peters Italian Church, Clerkenwell Rd., London, on Wednesday, 15th November, 7.00 p.m. Funeral mass at 10.00 a.m., Thursday, followed by burial at St. Pancras Cemetery, East Finchley. In sorrow remain husband, sons, daughters and grandchildren.

BREWER.—On November 7, 1978, suddenly at Brighton, Frank, husband of Vera (Bowyer) father of Jennifer and Max. Cremation at Brighton (Downs) on November 14, at 2.30 p.m.

BULLOUGH, CARROL CROSSLEY JOHN, O.B.E.—At Surbiton on 22nd October, 1978. No ceremonies: body bequeathed for scientific purposes.

COUSIN.—On November 11, 1978, peacefully in hospital, Vernon aged 82 years, beloved husband of Marion and dear father of Eileen, Joyce and Christine. Cremation private. Family flowers only please but donations, if desired, for the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, may be sent to Deric Scott, Portman Lodge Funeral Home, Bournemouth.

CRACROFT, CHRISTINE SUSAN (Chris), of Woodsford House.—On Nov. 10th, peacefully after a short illness, wife of Bernard and mother of Sheila and Peter. Family flowers only, but donations if desired, to the Honorary Treasurer, Cancer Relief, Lloyds Bank, Dorchester. No letters.

DE SAUSMAREZ.—On November 11, at home, Havilland George Temple Lt. Col. R.A. (Retired), *aged* 84. Beloved husband of Alice and a much loved father and grandfather. Funeral service at St. James' Church, Tunbridge Wells, on Thursday, 16th November at 3 p.m., followed by private cremation. No *flowers*. Donations to Multiple Sclerosis Society.

DINNING - COOKE, STANLEY (Cookie), late consultant International Building Exhibition and Council of Industrial Design, Sq. Leader, R.A.F. retd., 49 and 85 Sqdn Bomber Command, peacefully on Friday, 10th November, at Princess Alexandra's R.A.F. Hospital, Wroughton. Interment at Brookwood Cemetery on Fri., 17th Nov., at 2.30 p.m. Flowers to James and Thomas Ltd., Mill Road, Cobham, Surrey.

DUNNING.—On November 13, 1978, in hospital, Thomas James Dunning (of Liverpool), dearly loved husband of Helga and father of Prudence, Stephen, Mary Louise, Sarah and Matthew, R.I.P. Mass at St Mary's Church, Highfield Street, Liverpool, on Wednesday, November 15, at 11.15 a.m. Cremation private. No flowers. Masses, or if desired, donations to Marmaduke House, Home for Destitute and Homeless Men, c/o Reverend Father Kitchen, St. Mary's Presbytery, Highfield Street, Liverpool 3.

ELLIOTT.—On Nov. 11th, 1978, peacefully, at 35 Topstreet Way, Harpenden, James, M.A., M.A.I., F.I.C.E. (late L.M.S. Railway), darling precious husband of Joyce. Funeral private. "A tortured battered soldier at rest."

ETCHES.—On November the 11th, 1978, quietly, in hospital, Ida Mary, dearly loved sister of Amy and aunt of Helen and Patricia. Funeral service at All Saints' Parish Church, Wellington, Salop, at 2.30 p.m., on Friday, November the 17th, followed by cremation at Shrewsbury, at 3.30 p.m. Family flowers only, please, and no mourning. Donations, if desired, to All Saints' Parish Church, Wellington Restoration Fund. Enquiries to Harry Edwards and Sons, telephone Telford 44940.

FITZ-GERALD.—On November 8, 1978, at Bournemouth, Sir Patrick H. Fitz-Gerald, O.B.E., formerly of Ghana, dearest brother of Betty Wetherell, of Shepherds Cottage, Nursted, Nr. Gravesend. Funeral taken place. Donations, if desired, for St. John's Guild for The Blind, c/o Head & Whoble, 1A Oxford Road, Bournemouth.

GILL.—On Nov. 10th, 1978, at Mount Vernon Hospital, our dear Arthur Stanley (retired chartered patent agent), widower of his loving and beloved Betty, so deeply missed. Service at St. Lawrence Church, Eastcote, on Friday, 17th Nov, at 1.45 p.m. Family flowers. Donations to the R.S.P.C.A. Southall would be equally appreciated.

GOLD.—Peacefully, on November 9th, 1978, in the care of the Crossley Hospital, of Redway's, Frodsham, Howard Gilbey Gold, aged 83 years, dearly loved husband of Kathleen and father of Aphra Mary. Funeral at St Lawrence Church, Frodsham, 14th November, at 2 p.m., followed by cremation at Walton Lea. No flowers, please, donations if desired to the friends of Crossley Hospital, West Kingswood, Frodsham.

GOOCH.—Peacefully on 13th Nov., Robert Eric Sherlock Gooch, 11th Baronet of Benacre Hall, Suffolk. Cremation private. Memorial service later. No flowers or letters, but donations, if desired, to Southwold Hospital.

HAMPTON.—Suddenly, on Saturday, 11th November, 1978, Horace Arthur, aged 71 years, of 11 Merley Drive, Highcliffe-on-Sea, Dorset, dearly beloved husband of Nell and loving father of Lawrence and Neville and dear grandad to five grandchildren. "God's finger touched him and he slept". The service will take place at Bournemouth Crematorium on Friday, 17th November, at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only, inquiries to A. V. Ridout, Funeral Director, Highcliffe 72835.

HANKS, WALTER GEORGE BERT, aged 83 years, of Flat 4, 11 Eldorado Road, Cheltenham, peacefully at his home on 11 November, 1978.

HENDERSON, BOO.—Peacefully at Oxleaze Farm, Uffington, on November 13. Funeral Woolstone, November 15 at 3.15.

HIBBERT-FOY.—On November 12, 1978, courageously, Major Martin Victor Hibbert-Foy, late 2nd Essex Regiment. Beloved husband of Laetitia, father of Patrick, Miles, Fiona and Rosamund, and grandfather. Cremation at Charing, Thursday, 16th November, at 11.30 a.m. No letters. Family flowers only. Donations to Neurological Unit, Special Fund, c/o Mr Bartlett, Brook General Hospital, Shooters Hill Road, London, S.E.18.

JOHNSTONE, KENNETH ROY, dearly loved husband of Pauline, suddenly, on November 10th, aged 76 yrs. Funeral St. John the Baptist, Southover, Lewes, Tuesday, November 21st, at 2.15. A memorial service will be announced. No flowers, please.

JONES.—On Nov. 12, 1978, Air Commodore Philip Jones, C.B.E., beloved husband of Nowelie, and dearly loved father and grandfather. Funeral on Fri., Nov. 17th, service 3 p.m. in Goring-on-Thames Parish Church, followed by private cremation. Please, no letters, family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund, 67 Portland Place, London, W1N 4AR.

KEATINGE.—On Nov. 11th, 1978, Margaret Evelyn, aged 85, much loved wife and dedicated companion for nearly 58 years of Gerald, of Castelnau, Barnes, and mother of John (killed in action 1944) and Moira Watson, and devoted grandmother of William, Lucy and Elizabeth. Funeral service at Holy Trinity, Castelnau, Barnes at 11.45, 17th Nov., 1978. Flowers to T. H. Sanders, High Street, Barnes, S.W.13.

LESCHALLAS.—On Nov. 12th, 1978, Maude Newlands, widow of Beaumont Pigc-Leschallas, aged 88 years, mother of Anne Belrenn and grandmother of Richard and Malcolm Deas and William Bekenn. Service at St. George's Church, Dorchester, Dorset, on Thurs., Nov. 16th at 1.30 p.m., followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please.

LLEWELLYN SMITH.—On Nov. 8th in hospital, Arthur Llewellyn Smith, M.B.E., F.R.I.B.A., F.S.A., aged 75. Funeral service at St. Leonards Church, Streatham, S.W.16 (parking difficult) on Fri., 17th Nov. at 1.30 p.m., followed by cremation. No flowers but donations if desired to The Crown & Manor Boys Club, Hoxton, Wiltshire Row, N1 5DR.

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MACKENZIE.—On 13th Nov., Frederick Stephen Ronald Mackenzie, Brigadier, O.B.E., of Chantry Mead, Lymington, after a short illness. Beloved husband of Daphne, and father of Diana and Robert. Funeral at Boldre Church, at 10 a.m., Thursday, 16th. Family flowers only. Donations to Cancer Research.

MESSITER, JOHN G., of 170 Western Rd., Leigh-on-Sea, suddenly at home, on 10th November. Past Assistant Secretary of the Chartered Auctioneers' and Estate Agents' Institute. Much-loved and respected father of Clifford and loving husband of his late wife, Doris. Enquiries to A. W. Alden, 1436 London Rd., Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, Southend 76194.

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MURRAY, KENNETH MAYNARD, aged 85 years, at Borough Cross Cottage, Downton, Salisbury. Dearly loved husband of Margaret. Funeral 1.30 p.m., on Thursday 16th, at St. Laurence's Church, Downton.

O'DEMPSEY, DR. TIMOTHY ROBERT, of Fatima, 32, Riverscote Road, Stafford, peacefully, in Stafford General Infirmary, on Sunday, 12 November, 1978, aged 64 years, at rest. Beloved husband of Eileen and dear father of Aileen, Tim, Robert, Michael and Declan, and will be sadly missed. Requiem mass to be held at St. Austin's Church, Wolverhampton Road, Stafford, on Friday, 17 November, 1978, at 11.15 a.m., followed by interment at Tixall Road Cemetery. Flowers and further enquiries to W. Emery and Son, Stafford 51005, or donations in lieu to the Stafford Borough Cancer Relief.

PATTISON, THERESA (of 15 Cheyne Row, London, S.W.3.—On October 19th, 1978, dearly beloved wife of Alfred and dearly loved *mother of* Mary and Veronica, after great suffering most courageously borne. Interment took place at Clayton, Yorkshire, October 27th, 1978.

POPPLETON.—On Nov 11th, in Cuckfield Hospital, George Poppleton, of Beech Hurst Close, Haywards Heath, aged 76 years. Most dearly loved husband of Jill and father of Richard. Funeral service at Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth, Sussex, on Wednesday, 15th Nov., at 2 p.m. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu to Cuckfield Hospital, Sussex. No letters please.

QUICK.—On November 6th, at Priglis Cottage, St. Agnes, Isles of Scilly, Hilda Margaret, aged 83, only child of the late Richard and Gertrude Quick, of Penzance. Artist, author and bird watcher. Much loved by her many friends.

RENWICK.—On the 13th November in Ealing, Joan Lesley (nee Bayly) mother of Anne Scott and the late Pippa Renwick. Funeral at St. Peter's Church, Mount Park Road, Ealing, W.5, at 12.30 on Thursday, 16th November.

RIDLEY.—On Nov. 9th, 1978, peacefully at his home, 30 Bathwick Hill, Bath, Charles Norman, beloved husband of Kathleen, father of Anthony and Hugh and father-in-law to John and Kitty. Funeral and thanksgiving service, Bath Abbey, on Fri., Nov. 17th, at 2 p.m., followed by private cremation. Flowers may be sent to Jolly's Funeral Directors, Milsom St., Bath; or donations to the Historic Churches Preservation Trust, Fulham Palace, London, S.W.6.

ROWCLIFFE.—On November 10th, 1978, Anthony (Tony) Hugh Loe, of Bures Manor, Reigate, very deeply loved husband of Lilla and beloved by his family and adored son and stepson of Margaret and Wilfred Nicholson. Funeral private.

SALISBURY.—On November 10th, 1978, at his home, peacefully in his sleep, Edward James, Kt., C.B.E., F.R.S., LL.D. (Edin., Glas.), V.M.H., F.L.S., Quain Professor of Botany, University of London; Director, Royal *Botanic Gardens, Kew* (1943-1956), aged 92, devoted husband of the late Mabel Salisbury and dearly loved brother of Ethel Salisbury. A brilliant man, loved and greatly respected by his many friends and colleagues. Funeral at 12 noon at Chichester Crematorium, on November 16th.

SAPWELL.—On November 13th, Doris Helena, aged 85 years. Beloved wife of Canon B. S. Sapwell, dear mother of Rosamond Steel and Mary Stapleton. Service at Rockland All Saints Church, near Attleborough, Norfolk, on Friday, November 17th, at 2.30.

SAUMAREZ.—On Sunday, 12th November, 1978, peacefully, in a Cambridge nursing home, the Hon. Marion Saumarez, of Orion Cottage, Grantchester, Cambridge, aged 93 years. Funeral service at Grantchester Parish Church, on Thursday, 16th November, at 2 p.m., followed by interment in the churchyard. Flowers may be sent to W. Eden Lilley, Private Chapel, Mill Lane, Cambridge.

SHEPHARD.—On 10th Nov., at Greenwich Hospital, after a severe illness, borne with typical courage, Wendy, dearly-loved wife of Tony and mother of Simon, Kate and Mike. Funeral at Lode Parish Church, nr. Cambridge, at 2 p.m., Thurs., 16th Nov. Family flowers only. Donations may be sent to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, P.O. Box 123, Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C.2.

SHERSTON-BAKER, COLONEL H. C. D.—On Friday, 10th November. Beloved father of Ann and Peter. Funeral service at Parkstone R.C. Cemetery, Poole, on Thursday 16th, at 10.45 am.

STANSFIELD.—On 10th Nov., 1978, at his home 54 Ampthill Rd., Silsoe, Bedford, James Richard, aged 58 years, a dear husband, father and grandfather.

STOKES-ROBERTS, EVELYN WINIFRED, peacefully, at her home, on November 13th, widow of Brigadier A. E. Stokes-Roberts, O.B.E., M.C., and beloved mother of Laurence. No flowers, please, but donations to Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables, West Hill, London, S.W.15. Funeral at Putney Vale Crematorium, on Thursday, November 16th, at 11 a.m.

THRING C.F. (PETER), J.P.M.A. (Oxon).—On Nov. 11th suddenly at home, much loved husband of Barbara and father of Penny and Clifford. Private cremation service on Thurs., 16th Nov, at Wes. London Crematorium, Harrow Rd., at 2.45 p.m. No flowers please. Date of memorial service to be announced later.

THORNTON-FIRKIN.—On the 7 Nov., 1978, A. E. (Freddie), at 17 Fitzharding St., London, W.1, beloved husband of Joan and father of Carole and Edward. His expressed wishes were that his body should go for medical research and that there should be no memorial service. Donations, if desired, may be sent to the Radio Therapy Research Fund, c/o Dr. Hope-Stone, The London Hospital, Whitechapel, London E1 1BB.

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WORDSWORTH WELLS, HILDA.—On Nov. 8th at Trinity Hospital, Taunton, aged 92. Funeral at Stockland Bristol Parish Church, Nov. 17th, 11.45, followed by cremation. Garden flowers.

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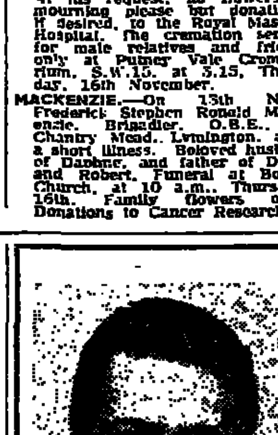
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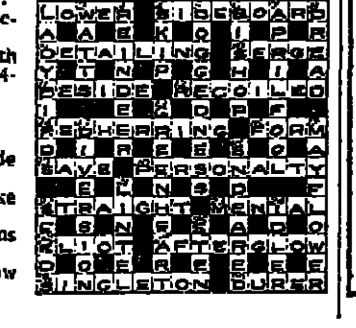
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1 Land's End is next to an island that's separate (8).
9 Our main fuel source (5, 3).
10 Pacific island article in Moscow emporium (4).
11 First German person in the medley, see, is an old master (12).
13 Not the standard of permissiveness (6).
14 Canny craftsman? (8).
15 Mortification of a national leader caught by coppers (7).
16 No results of Lovelace's stone-walling (7).
20 How greatly to cut back the rodents in time (8).
22 They applaud a question in your present reading matter (6).
23 Noises off OK—properties too (5, 7).
23 Kick from a horse? (4).
25 Girl member back in a baseball team (8).
27 Tree's appointment with friend getting married (4-4).

DOWN

2 Joshua's father in a tide swirling in flood (8).
3 Swains' praise of the Duke of Milan's daughter (12).
4 But this hare always wins the race (8).
5 Silent entertainers show such understanding (7).
6 Decree new form of radio pole (6).
7 "The —— is full of noises" (*Tempest*) (4).
8 Lass has shoes ruined, lacking their protection? (8).
12 Potter's Art, with its winning ways (12).
15 Persian leader voiced disgust about a food-bearer (8).
17 Indirect way Roe hit double century (8).
18 Such is the mile-a-minute mile (8).
19 Sent up to Olympus? Up *and* down (7).
21 Tsar is supporting a Roman law (6).
24 Son has in him this itch to be a theatre-performer (4).

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